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Next Meeting.

Place—Aiken. *Time*—Wednesday night before the first Sunday in December, 1892. Convention Sermon—J. D. Pitts; alternate, C. T. Scaife.

Committees.

Foreign Missions—G. T. Gresham, C. T. Scaife, A. L. Stough, J. S. McLemore, D. H. Crosland.

Home Missions—A. C. Wilkins, G. M. Tolson, M. W. Gordon, J. A. White, J. R. Aiken.

Obituaries—C. C. Brown, Chairman; L. T. Carroll, J. R. Mack, D. W. Key, W. W. Leathers, S. M. Bagwell, T. P. Lide, W. H. Edwards, J. T. Hiers, John R. Hiott, S. C. Cartledge, W. T. Brooker, Thos. H. Edwards, D. T. Smith, J. G. Able, M. W. Rankin, J. T. Henerey, B. M. Foreman, Joel I. Allen, John H. Bowen, J. B. Parrott, Joab Edwards, M. McGee, J. E. Brunson, F. Jones, S. M. Richardson, J. E. Covington, J. M. Stewart, C. R. Willeford, F. M. Satterwhite, J. P. Derham, Sam. M. Grist.

MINUTES.

FIRST DAY.

SPARTANBURG, S. C., DECEMBER 3, 1891.

The State Convention of the Baptist Denomination in South Carolina met in the First Baptist Church, in the town of Spartanburg, and was called to order by the President, James A. Hoyt, at 10 o'clock Thursday morning.

The hymn, "Jesus keep me near the cross," was sung. The President read the 6th chapter of Hebrews, and J. W. Perry led in prayer. The list of Associations was called and the delegates enrolled by the Secretary, as appended.

The Convention proceeded to the election of officers. The ballot was cast for President, John R. Mack and M. W. Rankin tellers.

The Convention proceeded to the election of two Vice Presidents, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, and Treasurer. On motion of L. C. Ezell,

Resolved, That the brother receiving the highest number of votes cast be declared First Vice President, and the one receiving the next highest number be declared Second Vice President.

Tellers, F. O. S. Curtis, J. B. Parrott.

The tellers, through John R. Mack, reported the election of James A. Hoyt, President.

On motion, visiting brethren were invited to seats in the Convention. The following responded: Professor A. T. Robertson, of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; Dr. J. M. Frost, Secretary of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention; Rev. H. Hatcher, Agent of the American Baptist Publication Society, and F. C. Hickson, of North Carolina. On motion of Chas. Manly, Dr. Jas. H. Carlisle, President of Wofford College, was invited to a seat in the Convention.

A communication was read by the Secretary from W. T. Derieux, pastor of this church, detained at his home by sickness. The President called on Chas. Manly to lead the Convention in prayer in behalf of Bro. Derieux.

S. B. Ezell, member of Spartanburg Church, in behalf of the church and community, made an address of welcome, which was responded to by W. D. Rice.

The President announced the following:

Committee on Order of Business—G. W. Bussey, W. H. Lyles, R. G. Patrick, D. H. Crosland, C. B. Bobo.

On motion of J. A. Mundy, Prof. A. T. Robertson was invited to address the Convention at this hour, in the interests of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. The motion was carried and the Convention was addressed by Prof. Robertson.

The President read a telegram from the South Carolina students in the Seminary as follows: "South Carolina students send greetings. 1 Thessalonians 1 : 2, 3." The passage reads: "We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers; remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labor of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father."

G. W. Bussey, from the Committee on Order of Business, submitted the following partial report:

The committee on the Order of Business would recommend that there be two sessions of the Convention daily. The morning session to begin at 9.30 o'clock and adjourn at 1.30 p. m. The evening session to begin at 7.30 and adjourn at will. Convention sermon to be preached at 7.30 p. m. Dr. Frost, Corresponding Secretary of the Sunday School Board, to be requested to address the Convention at the close of the sermon.

F. O. S. Curtis reported the election of the following officers: R. H. Griffith and W. D. Rice, Vice Presidents; A. J. S. Thomas, Secretary; A. B. Woodruff, Assistant Secretary; C. H. Judson, Treasurer.

The report of the Executive Board of the Convention was read by T. M. Bailey, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, including his report as Treasurer. On motion of E. J. Forrester, the report was referred to a special committee of five with instructions to arrange for a mass meeting to be held Friday night at 8 o'clock.

On motion of John Stout, the Centennial of Missions was made the special order for 1.30 o'clock Saturday evening.

C. C. Brown offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the President to look into the practicability and feasibility of having a separate Board of Trustees for the Greenville Female College, and report to this Convention, if possible, or to the meeting next year, in case the necessary facts cannot be obtained now.

The President appointed C. C. Brown, W. H. Lyles, J. D. Pitts as the committee called for in the resolution.

The report of the Board of Ministerial Education was read by J. A. Mundy, and the Treasurer's report was read by G. A. Norwood. On motion of J. A. Mundy, the report was referred to a special committee of three for further examination and to report to this Convention.

The Treasurer of the Convention, C. H. Judson, submitted his report. The report was adopted and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

C. C. Brown read the report of the Committee on the Aged and Indigent Ministers' Relief Fund. After remarks by A. C. Wilkins, John G. Williams and J. B. Patrick, the report was adopted and ordered printed in the minutes. Pending the adoption of the report, a cash collection was taken for this object amounting to $52.00.

J. B. Patrick moved that the Committee on Aged and Indigent Ministers be instructed to look into the records of the former Ministers' Relief Fund, to ascertain if any of the former funds were invested.

The President announced the following committees to report at this meeting:

Committee on Preaching—W. T. Derieux, S. B. Ezell, J. H. Montgomery, B. J. Woodward, J. J. Boyd, J. E. Bomar, W. I. Harris, C. T. Scaife, I. W. Wingo.

On Time and Place of Next Meeting and Persons to Preach—W. J. Langston, W. P. Smith, Joab Edwards, W. E. G. Humphries, E. P. Easterling.

On Nomination Board Ministerial Education—J. D. Huggins, W. T. Tate, T. M. Galphin, Geo. A. Wright, W. W. Leathers.

On Nomination Executive Board—Joel I. Allen, L. T. Carroll, J. D. Mahon, I. M. Mercer, J. H. Boldridge.

On Nomination Delegates to American Baptist Education Society—G. L. Knight, H. K. Ezell, H. B. Fant, James McIntosh, M. B. Meador.

Committee to Examine Report of Board Ministerial Education—A. C. Wilkins, L. C. Ezell, J. C. Browne.

To Arrange for Mass Meeting for State Missions—E. J. Forrester, C. K. Henderson, W. T. Hundley, A. McA. Pittman, J. R. Leavell.

An invitation was received from C. H. Carlisle to the delegates to visit the Kennedy Library Hall, and to use the rooms for the committee meetings if needed. Through E. C. Dargan, the President of Converse College ex-tended an an invitation to the Convention to visit the College.

On motion of D. H. Crosland, these invitations were accepted with thanks.

On motion of R. F. Whilden, Chas. Manly was instructed to reply to the telegram of the Seminary students.

On motion, adjourned with prayer by J. M. Frost.

THURSDAY NIGHT.

The Convention met at 7.30 o'clock.

The Convention Sermon was preached by J. W. Perry, of Hartsville. Text, John 14 : 21–23, "He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me, and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world : Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words : and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him." Drs. Pritchard and W. A. Nelson, of North Carolina, assisted in the services.

After the sermon, the President called the Convention to order and announced the special order and introduced Dr. J. M. Frost, Secretary of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, who addressed the Convention in the interests of that Board.

G. W. Bussey read the following report of the Committee on Order of Business :

FRIDAY— 9.30 A. M.—Miscellaneous Business.
10.00 A. M.—Foreign Missions and Woman's Work.
11.00 A. M.—Ministerial Education.
12.00 M.—Report on Orphanage.
7.30 P. M.—Miscellaneous Business.
8.00 P. M.— State Missions.

The President welcomed and invited to seats in the Convention the following brethren : Dr. J. Wm. Jones, Assistant Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Board ; Dr. T. P. Bell, Assistant Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board ; Drs. T. H. Pritchard and W. A. Nelson, of North Carolina.

Adjourned with prayer by J. L. Rollins.

SECOND DAY.

FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 4.

The Convention was called to order by the President. Hymn, "Come thou fount of every blessing," was sung and B. F. Corley led in prayer. Hymn, "Jesus, I my cross have taken," was sung and J. S. Croxton led in prayer.

The minutes of yesterday were read by the Secretary and approved.

On motion, Rev. Wm. H. Strickland, of Georgia, was invited to a seat in the Convention.

The following resolution was offered by R. W. Sanders :

Resolved, That we commend to the kind consideration and patronage of the Baptists of South Carolina the work of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

C. C. Brown discussed the report; the special order was called up and the resolution was, for the present, laid on the table.

The special order for this hour being Foreign Missions, the report was read by L. C. Ezell. Dr. Pritchard, of North Carolina, was invited to speak. The special order for this hour, on motion of E. C. Dargan, was extended thirty minutes. The Secretary read a letter addressed to the Convention by Rev. Thos. J. League, missionary to Pingtu, China. The Convention was addressed by T. P. Bell, Assistant Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board. The report was adopted.

The report of the Central Committee of Woman's Mission to Woman was made the special order for to-morrow evening.

The special order for this hour was extended. The report of the special committee on the report of the Board of Ministerial Education was read by A. C. Wilkins, and is as follows :

Having examined the report of Board of Ministerial Education, we unanimously recommend its adoption, calling special attention to the resolution in the report concerning help given to beneficiaries. A. C. WILKINS, Chairman.

After remarks by J. A. Mundy, A. C. Wilkins and J. Wm. Jones, the report was adopted.

The Convention joined in singing "All hail the power of Jesus' name."

The special order for this hour was the report of the Orphanage Committee. The report was read by J. L. Vass. After remarks by T. H.

Pritchard, P. P. Blalock and J. L. Vass and a cash collection amounting to $38.00, the report was adopted.

T. M. Galphin offered the following:

Resolved 1. That this Convention approve the action of the joint committee appointed at the last session of this Convention on the establishment of on Orphanage, and also approve the action of the Board of Trustees of the "Connie Maxwell Orphanage," elected by said committee, especially in the matter of their application to the General Assembly for a charter.

2. That the number of the members of said Board be fixed permanently at thirteen, to be elected by this Convention at its present session and every four years hereafter; and that the Board have power to fill any vacancies occurring in the interims.

The resolutions were adopted.

E. J. Forrester offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are due and are hereby tendered to Bro. J. L. Vass for the large amount of work which he has done gratuitously as Chairman of the Orphanage Committee of this Convention, and to the Swift Creek Church, Darlington County, for their magnanimity in sparing Bro. Vass from the pastorate to render this service.

E. J. Forrester, from the special committee to arrange for the meeting to-night in the interests of State Missions, reported that the meeting would be addressed by J. G. Williams, E. E. Ayres, R. G. Patrick and J. N. Booth. The report was adopted.

The Convention adjourned with prayer by L. C. Hinton.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention reassembled at 7.30 o'clock and was called to order by the President. After singing, and prayer by O. L. Martin, the President announced that the first thing in order was the resolution offered by R. W. Sanders this morning, viz:

Resolved, That we commend to the kind consideration and patronage of the Baptists of South Carolina the work of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

After remarks by R. W. Sanders, the following amendment was offered by C. C. Brown and adopted:

"And that, in accordance with the statement in the report of our Executive Board, we return thanks to the American Baptist Publication Society for its repeated donation of books and Bibles, and wish the Society God-speed in all departments of the work.

The resolution as amended was then unanimously adopted.

Chas. Manly reported that he had sent the following dispatch to the South Carolina students at the Seminary: "1 Cor. 16: 13, 14, Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong. Let all your things be done with charity."

The special order was taken up—the mass-meeting in the interests of State Missions. The Secretary of the Board, T. M. Bailey, read a summary of the report, and the meeting was addressed by John G. Williams, E. E. Ayres, R. G. Patrick, J. N. Booth and T. M. Bailey. After a collection, amounting to $29.40, the report was adopted.

Chas. Manly offered the following:

Resolved, That, as pastors and representatives of the churches, we pledge ourselves to urge upon our churches to make contributions during the present month to relieve our State Mission Board of a debt now resting upon them, which was incurred in the interest of State Missions, and that this resolution be published in The Baptist Courier; and, further, that the newspaper reporters present be requested to give it wide circulation at once.

The resolution was adopted.

C. C. Brown, from the Committee on a Separate Board of Trustees for the Greenville Female College, submitted the following report, which, on motion of C. H. Judson, was laid on the table:

We recommend that the Greenville Female College property remain vested, as it now is, in the University Trustees, but that the Convention appoint a new Board of seven members, in whom shall be vested the power of attorney and to whom shall be committed the interests of the College and its entire management.

That, if it be found feasible hereafter, in the practical working of the two Boards, the University Trustees shall make a title to the College Trustees, and so vest the property in them.

That the Board shall consist of seven (7) members, five (5) of whom, at least, shall be residents of the city of Greenville. Of the Board so elected, two (2) shall hold office for one (1) year, two (2) for two (2) years, and the remaining three (3) for three (3) years, the vacancies thus occurring to be filled annually by the Convention, and the members thus elected to fill such vacancies shall hold office for three (3) years from the time of their election.

That at the first session of this Board it shall determine what members shall hold office for the period of one (1) year, what members for two (2) years, and what for three (3) years.

The Board shall have power to make By-Laws, and appoint such executive and other committees as it may deem advisable.

Respectfully submitted. C. C. BROWN, Chairman.

J. D. Huggins read the report of the Committee to Nominate the Board of Ministerial Education, which was adopted, and is as follows :

Place—Greenville. J. A. Mundy, President; D. W. Key, Secretary; G. A. Norwood, Treasurer; W. T. Hundley, B. G. Covington, A. C. Wilkins, J. S. Croxton, I. W. Wingo, R. N. Pratt, W. J. Langston, R. G. Patrick.

Respectfully submitted. J. D. HUGGINS, Chairman.

W. J. Langston submitted the report of the Committee on Time and Place and Person to Preach. J. B. Parrott moved to amend by striking out "Aiken" and inserting "Anderson"; the amendment was lost. B. G. Covington moved to amend by striking out "Thursday" and inserting "Wednesday night." The amendment passed. The report, as amended, was then adopted, and is as follows :

Place of meeting—Aiken. Time—Wednesday night before the first Sunday in December, 1892. Convention sermon by Rev. J. D. Pitts; alternate, Rev. C. T. Scaife.

Respectfully submitted. W. J. LANGSTON, Chairman.

G. W. Bussey read the report of the Committee on Order of Business for Saturday :

SATURDAY-- 9.30 A. M.—Miscellaneous business.
10.00 A. M.—Report on Obituaries.
11.00 A. M.—Report of Trustees of Furman University.
12.00 M.—Report on Home Missions.
7.30 P. M.—Missionary Centennial. Afterwards, Woman's Work.

Joel E. Brunson offered the following resolutions, which were adopted :

Whereas, the sale of intoxicating liquors is one of the strongest weapons wielded by Satan against all religious effort, that thousands of the men of our State are being slain physically and spiritually, that women and children are brought to rags and beggary, and that the church of God is being robbed of otherwise efficient workers, all through the drink habit, which is cultivated and encouraged by the liquor traffic; and,

Whereas, our State Legislature is now considering the advisability of enacting a law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of all intoxicating liquors: Therefore, be it

Resolved, First, That we express our condemnation of the present license system as a compromise with sin, and that we appeal to the Christian manhood of our honorable Senators and Representatives to pass such a law as will wipe forever the traffic from our State and the stains from our statute books.

Resolved, Second, That a committee of three be appointed to have five hundred copies of this appeal printed and placed at once on the desks of our legislators.

Joel I. Allen read the report to Nominate the Executive Board. The report, on motion, was re-committed.

The Convention adjourned, with prayer by Jabez Ferris.

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5.

The Convention was called to order by the President at 9.30 A. M. The hymn, "So let our lips and lives express," was sung. The President read 15th chapter of John. Joab Edwards led in prayer. The Secretary read yesterday's proceedings.

The following named brethren, selected by the committee appointed by the last Convention as Trustees of the "Connie Maxwell" Orphanage, were, on motion of T. M. Galphin, elected Trustees of said Orphanage by the Convention: J. C. Maxwell, J. K. Durst, J. W. Sproles, E. J. Forrester, S. P. Brooks, E. M. Lipscomb, J. D. Pitts, W. H. Lyles, D. W. Alderman, J. W. Wilkes, W. F. Cox, H. P. McGee, W. T. Hundley.

Chas. Manly moved that the President send a message of greeting and sympathy to the Methodist Conference at Darlington. The President subsequently sent the following: "The Baptist State Convention sends Christian greeting, expressing sympathy in the death of Bro. Murray. First Peter, 5 : 10, 11, 'But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you. To him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.'"

C. H. Judson moved to take from the table the report read by C. C. Brown on separate Board of Trustees Greenville Female College. C. C. Brown moved that the report be referred to a committee of five, of whom Col. J. H. Earle, of Greenville, shall be chairman, to report at next meeting of the Convention. Motion unanimously carried.

The report of the committee in charge of the work and fund in behalf of the Negro Preachers, was read by C. C. Brown and adopted.

The special order for this hour being the report on Obituaries, J. A. Brown submitted the report. J. L. Vass moved that the chairman of the report be instructed to add to the list the names of any deceased ministers omitted in the report. The report was discussed by John Stout, E. C. Dargan, Charles Manly and J. Wm. Jones, more especially in connection with the life and character of Dr. James C. Furman. The Convention joined in singing the hymn, "Children of the heavenly king," and W. A. Nelson led in prayer. The report was then adopted.

The special order was called up, the report of the Board of Trustees of Furman University. The report was read by E. C. Dargan. The report was discussed by A. S. Townes, President of the Greenville Female Col-

lege, F. C. Hickson, C. C. Brown, J. A. Hoyt, R. H. Griffith and John Stout. The report was then adopted.

The President announced the following committees :

Committee to whom was referred the report on Female College and resolution of C. C. Brown—Jos. H. Earle, I. M. Mercer, A. J. S. Thomas, W. H. Lyles, C. C. Brown.

Committee to prepare Resolution for the Legislature—J. E. Brunson, F. O. S. Curtis, John G. Williams.

The special order for this hour being Home Missions, the report was read by L. T. Carroll. By request, Dr. J. Wm. Jones, Assistant Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Board, spoke to the report, followed by R. W. Sanders. A collection was taken amounting to $163.50 in cash and pledges. The report was then adopted.

S. B. Ezell, for the committee on preaching, submitted the following report, which was adopted :

First Baptist Church—9.45 A. M., Sunday school, addressed by J. Wm. Jones ; 11 A. M., preaching by T. P. Bell ; 3.30 P. M., Sunday school mass meeting, addressed by C. C. Brown and E. C. Dargan ; 7.30 P. M., preaching by W. J. Langston.

Central Methodist Church—11 A. M., preaching by Chas. Manly ; 7.30 P. M., preaching by Jno. G. Williams.

Presbyterian Church—11 A. M., John Stout ; 7.30 P. M., O. L. Martin.

Greene St. Baptist Church—11 A. M., J. N. Booth ; 7.30 P. M., G. M. Tolson.

Converse College—7.30 P. M., E. C. Dargan.

Spartan Mill, Methodist—11 A. M., J. L. Rollins.

Trough Shoals, Pacolet Mill—J. W. Blanton.

Bethel, Methodist—11 A. M., J. D. Pitts ; 7.30 P. M., W. E. Johnson.

Colored Presbyterian Church—11 A. M., M. W. Gordon ; 7.30 P. M., J. S. McLemore.

Mt. Moriah, colored Baptist—3.30 P. M., A. L. Stough ; 7.30 P. M., T. M. Galphin.

Siloam Hill, colored Methodist—7.30 P. M., W. D. Rice.

G. L. Knight read the report of the Committee to Nominate Delegates to the American Baptist Education Society, which was adopted, and is as follows :

Jas. A. Hoyt, Chas. Manly, R. H. Griffith, John H. Montgomery, E. C. Dargan, W. T. Hundley, John Stout, A. J. S. Thomas, J. B. Patrick.

During the morning session, Bro. W. T. Derieux, pastor of this church, who had been confined at his home by sickness, came into the Convention and was greeted by the President and the brethren.

The Convention adjourned with prayer by W. D. Rice.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention met at 7.30 o'clock. Hymn, "To the work," was sung, and E. Wells, of Charleston, led in prayer.

The President read the following telegram: "The South Carolina Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, return Christian greeting. 2 Thes. 2:16-17: 'Now, our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work.'" Signed by H. F. Chreitzberg.

The President announced the following committees to report next year:

Foreign Missions—G. T. Gresham, C. T. Scaife, A. L. Stough, J. S. McLemore, D. H. Crosland.

Home Missions—A. C. Wilkins, G. M. Tolson, M. W. Gordon, J. A. White.

Obituaries—C. C. Brown, Chairman; L. T. Carroll, J. R. Mack, D. W. Key, W. W. Leathers, S. M. Bagwell, T. P. Lide, W. H. Edwards, J. T. Hiers, John R. Hiott, S. C. Cartledge, W. T. Brooker, Thomas H. Edwards, D. T. Smith, J. G. Able, M. W. Rankin, J. T. Henerey, B. M. Foreman, Joel I. Allen, John H. Bowen, J. B. Parrott, Joab Edwards, M. McGee, J. E. Brunson, F. Jones, S. M. Richardson, J. E. Covington, J. M. Stewart, C. R. Willeford, F. M. Satterwhite, J. P. Derham, Samuel M. Grist.

On motion of J. S. Croxton, A. J. S. Thomas was elected Statistical Secretary, and to receive $50 for the work.

Joel I. Allen submitted the following report of the Committee on Nomination of Executive Board, which was adopted after amendment:

Location, Greenville; Chas. Manly, President; C. H. Judson, Vice President; H. T. Cook, Auditor; T. M. Bailey, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer; J. C. Smith, W. C. Lindsay, N. N. Burton, W. T. Derieux, C. T. Scaife, R. W. Lide, I. M. Mercer, E. L. Wilkins, J. W. Norwood.

The following resolution was offered by J. A. Brown, and adopted:

Whereas, Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Maxwell, of Greenwood, have donated to the Orphanage established by this Convention, to come into its possession in the future, most of their extensive and valuable estate: Therefore be it

Resolved, That we hereby record our gratitude to God for prompting our brother and sister to this noble liberality and our hearty thanks to them for their generous gift.

On motion of John Stout, the subject of Woman's Work was now taken up. The report of the Central Committee of Woman's Societies for South Carolina was read and discussed by John Stout and J. Wm. Jones. The report was received and ordered printed in the minutes.

The special order was called up, the Centennial of Modern Missions. E. C. Dargan spoke on the "Carey Epoch in Modern Missions;" E. J. Forrester spoke on "Some Results of a Hundred Years' Work in Missions;" T. P. Bell discussed "Plans and Methods for the Centennial Year;" J. N. Booth spoke on "The Need of the Holy Spirit's Power and the Place of Prayer in Missions." The Convention was led in prayer by T. M. Bailey. Hymn, "From Greenland's Icy Mountains," was sung.

On motion of T. M. Bailey, the report read by C. C. Brown on Education of Negro Preachers was reconsidered.

T. M. Bailey asked that the State Mission Board be relieved of the work recommended in the report. The following resolution was offered by J. D. Pitts and adopted, after being amended by John Stout and A. J. S. Thomas:

Resolved, That the pastors of our churches be requested to make an effort to raise a special fund of $500 for the education of negro preachers in Benedict Institute, to be administered under the direction of the committee appointed for this purpose.

The resolution was discussed by C. C. Brown, T. M. Bailey, J. A. Bell, J. B. Parrott, R. H. Griffith, John Stout, A. J. S. Thomas, E. C. Dargan, R. W. Sanders, G. M. Tolson, J. D. Pitts, A. C. Wilkins, James McIntosh, J. S. Croxton.

A collection in cash and pledges was taken for this purpose amounting to $300. The President appointed the following committee to have this work in charge: C. C. Brown, W. C. Lindsay, A. J. S. Thomas.

On motion of W. A. Gaines:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be voted to the brethren and friends of Spartanburg for the generous hospitality and kind entertainment, and to the various railroad lines for reduced transportation.

The resolution was adopted.

Chas. Manly moved that an abstract of the Ministers' Conference and of the Historical Society meeting be printed in the minutes. Carried.

It was moved by Chas. Manly that the collection to be taken in this house to-morrow be given to State Missions.

The Convention adjourned to meet Sunday night after preaching.

Prayer by J. D. Mahon.

FOURTH DAY.

SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 6, 1891.

At the Baptist church at 9.45 o'clock in the morning Dr. J. Wm. Jones addressed the Sunday school. At 11 o'clock T. P. Bell preached. Text, Phil. 4 : 6-7 : "Be careful for nothing ; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God," etc., T. M. Galphin and the pastor of the church assisting in the services. Collection for State Missions taken amounting to $31.50.

In the afternoon a Sunday school mass-meeting was held, and addressed by C. C. Brown and E. C. Dargan.

At night W. J. Langston preached. Text, 1 Tim. 4 : 7 : "And exercise thyself rather unto godliness," J. D. Pitts and the pastor assisting in the services.

After the sermon the President called the Convention to order. C. C. Brown asked for information about the balance of $500 to be given to the Negro Preacher Fund by order of the Convention of last year. On motion of A. J. S. Thomas, this matter was referred to the Executive Board.

After some parting remarks by the President, the Convention joined in singing, "Blest be the tie that binds," etc., and the parting hand was given and John Stout led in prayer.

The Convention adjourned to meet in Aiken, S. C., Wednesday night before the first Sunday in December, 1892.

JAMES A. HOYT, President.

A. J. S. THOMAS, Secretary.

ROLL OF DELEGATES.

Abbeville—6.
Brown, J. A.
Carroll, L. T.
Forrester, E. J.
Gaines, W. A.
Miller, S. E.
Vass, J. L.

Aiken—5.
Browne, J. C.
Burkhalter, H. B.
Crosland, D. H.
Henderson, C. K.
Mack, J. R.

Barnwell—1.
Rice, W. D.

Beaverdam—1.
Leathers, W. W.

Broad River—8.
Bailey, J. D.
Bates, B. F.
Ezell, J. S.
Ezell, W. G. P.
Hammett, C. L.
Littlejohn, J. T.
Thompson, W. T.
Walker, G. T.

Charleston—5.
Dargan, E. C.
McLemore, J. S.
Snider, W. J.
Weeks, R. S.
Wells, E.

Chester—8.
Gwinn, T. A.
Hopper, P. G.
Hinson, O. C.
Hinton, L. C.
Mahon, J. D.
Pittman, A. McA.
Sanders, R. W.
Waters, J. J.

Edgefield—5.
Bussey, G. W.
Booth, J. N.
Blalock, P. P.
Burton, G. H.
White, G. P.

Fairfield—8.
Briscoe, W. R.
Bookhart, S. W.
Brown, A. P.
Douglas, C. M.,
[First Church, Columbia.
Ferris, Jabez.
Lyles, W. H.
Tolson, G. M.
Wray, C. P.

Florence—3.
Covington, B. G.
Covington, F. P.
Pettigrew, J. E.

Greenville—18.
Bailey, T. M.
Funderburk, B. S.
Galphin, T. M.
Hoyt, J. A.
Johnson, W. E.
Judson, C. H.
League, W. P.
Manly, Chas.
Mercer, I. M.
Mundy, J. A.
Norwood, G. A.
Smith, D. T.
Townes, A. S.
Thomas, A. J. S.
Watson, W. F.

First Church Sunday School.
Dargan, W. J.
Goldsmith, Wm., Jr.,
Vaughn, C. C.

Moriah—6.
Croxton, J. S.
Montgomery, D. P.
Payseur, L. C.

Rankin, M. W.
Stough, A. L.
Willeford, A. S.

North Greenville—5.
Ezell, H. K.
Prewette, Alex.
Prewette, J. L.
Stoudenmire, J. H.
Whilden, R. F.

Orangeburg—1.
Blanton, J. W.

Pee Dee—5.
Allen, Joel I.
Easterling, E. P.
Pratt, R. N.
Tate, W. T.
Willoughby, M. J.

Piedmont—2.
Phillips, I. J.
Spearman, D. I.

Reedy River—10.
Corley, B. F.
Hudgins, J. M.
Knight, M. A.
Langston, W. J.
Leavell, J. R.
Martin, J. A.
McIntosh, Jas.
Pitts, J. D.
Parrott, J. B.
Wright, G. A.

Ridge—6.
Boldridge, J. H.
Burton, N. N.
Bell, J. A.
Edwards, Joab.
Hundley, W. T.
Knight, G. L.

Saluda—8.
Burriss, C. O.
Cox, W. F.
Dean, C. L.
Fant, H. B.
Garrett, T. H.
Martin, G. L.
Patrick, J. B.
Patrick, B. S.

Santee—8.
Alderman, D. W.
Ayres, E. E.
Brown, C. C
Brunson, J. E.
Gordon, M. W.
Jasper, T. E.
Kenny, J. W.
Wells, E. D.

Savannah River—2.
Wilkins, A. C.
Williams, Jno. G.

Southeast—3.
Russell, S. T.
Rollins, J. L.
Truluck, B. C.

Twelve Mile River—1.
Robinson, C. E.

Spartanburg—27.
Aiken, J. R.
Covington, J. E.
Drummond, W. H.
Drummond, H. E.
Derieux, W. T.
Earle, T. D.
Ezell, S. B.
Ezell, L C.
Foster, Moses.
Foster, J. E.
Griffith, R. H.
Gowan. T. V.
Hick, G. M.
Huggins, J. D.
Johns, W. W.
Montgomery, J. H.
Miles, C. P.
Monk, R. B.
Stallworth, A. B.
Sorrels, W. F.
Smith, W. P.
Scaife, C. T.
Waters, W. H.
Woodruff, A. B.
Wingo, I. W.
Watson, E. C.
Woodward, B. J.

Union County—7.
Bewley. W. D.
Bobo, C. B.
Humphries, W. E. G.
Lampley, B. C.
Meador, M. B.

Willeford, C. R.
Wilburn, D. N.

Welsh Neck—5.
Bozeman. J. B.
Dowell, C. L.
Pearcy, J. H.
Perry, J. W.
Stout, John.

York—7.
Curtis, F. O. S.
Eppes, S. A.
Gaston, D. D.
McCubbins, J. C.
Osborne. P. J. M.
Patrick, R. G.
White, J. A.

Visitors—8.
Bell, T. P., Va.
Frost, J. M., Tenn,
Hatcher, H., Ga.
Hickson, F. C., N. C.
Jones, J. Wm., Ga.
Nelson, W. A., N. C.
Pritchard, T. H., N. C.
Strickland, W. H., Ga.

Number delegates,	179
Number visitors,	8
Total,	187

REPORTS.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

To the South Carolina Baptist State Convention:

DEAR BRETHREN: In coming together again at the end of another year of labor, to report what has been accomplished and lay plans for the future, it is appropriate that we first of all express our gratitude to God for his preserving care, for the harmony that has prevailed within these our borders, and for the success that has attended our efforts to advance the cause of Christ.

In the month of February death invaded the ranks of our noble band of workers. Rev. J. S. West, like a brave soldier, died at his post. He was a good man and a faithful, efficient missionary. He rests from his labors and his works do follow him.

The past year has been a very important one in our history. Twenty new fields were entered, and more laborers employed than ever before. The prosperity that has attended the work in the years gone by has continued to crown the labors of this year, and the growth in many fields has been large and prominent. It has been a year characterized not only by the seed sown and the foundations laid, but also by the fruits gathered. We venture to say that the Board never accomplished so large and so successful a work in any year of its history, as in the year which closes to-day.

During the year ninety-eight persons have been commissioned by the Board. They have labored in every Association in the State except one, some for the whole and some for only a part of their time. Of this number 57 have served as missionary pastors, 1 as lady missionary in Charleston, 10 as missionaries and colporters, 16 as colporters exclusively, 10 as evangelists and 4 colored brethren have worked as colporters among their people. Of the men employed seven were students of Furman University and four students in our Theological Seminary.

Summary of Work.

Missionaries, 98; stations occupied, 204; miles traveled, 81,374; days engaged in actual service, 9,094; sermons and addresses delivered, 7,109; prayer meetings held, 1,801; religious visits made, 20,417; conversions, 1,186; baptisms, 820; received by letter, 401; restored, 58; total additions to the churches, 1,279; total membership in churches at mission stations, 7,729; churches organized, 9; churches built 17; expended in church buildings, $13,436.86; Sunday schools organized, 82; number of Sunday schools, 166; number of teachers and scholars, 7,280; contributions of Sunday schools, $453.15; stations collecting monthly for missions, 89; quarterly, 98; number of woman's missionary societies, 58; subscribers for The Baptist Courier secured, 232; for the Foreign Mission Journal, 215; raised for State Missions, $2,280.04; for Bible and Colportage work, $119.90; for Home Missions, $176.97; for Foreign Missions, $370.30; for endowment of Furman University, $106.35; for Ministerial Education, $230.28; for the Theological Seminary, $100.75; pages of tracts and pamphlets distributed, 218,853.

New Fields.

Hopewell, Chester county ; Rutherford Street Mission, Greenville ; Friendship, Anderson county ; Concord and Pleasant Mountain, Savannah River Association ; Pleasant Grove, Florence Association ; Spartanburg city ; Pleasant Valley and Fort Mills, York county ; Whitmires, on the Georgia, Carolina and Northern railroad ; Fairfield, Hormah, Sandy Level and Longtown, in Fairfield county ; Cantey and DeKalb, on the Three C's railroad ; Lamar, on the C. S. and N. railroad ; Cannon Street and Citadel Square Missions, in Charleston. In May a second church was organized in Spartanburg to meet the demands of that growing city. It now numbers —— members. The churches at Cantey and DeKalb have a membership of eighty-one.

A good work is being done by our faithful missionaries at both of our stations in Charleston. The prospect is encouraging.

New Organizations

Have been effected at Lamberts, in Williamsburg county ; Harpers, in Georgetown county ; Hopewell, in Chester county ; St. George's, in Colleton county ; Greene street, Spartanburg ; Latta and Dillon, in Marion county, and Cantey and DeKalb, Kershaw county.

Church Buildings.

The interest in the erection of houses of worship continues unabated. At the following points houses have been completed, or are being built : Lambert's, Harper's, St. George's, Sally, Spartanburg, Latta, Cantey and DeKalb, Yorkville, Chesterfield, New Providence, Rutherford street (Greenville), and Hampton. Also three in Berkeley county, and one in Lexington county. The sum of $13,436.86 has been expended on these buildings.

The children have continued to manifest great interest in the erection of church buildings at our mission stations. During the year they have contributed to Summerville $1.00 ; to Yorkville, $10.28 ; to Hampton, $305.08 ; to Piedmont, $300.45 ; to New Providence, $109.75 ; and to Tatum's Station, $250.65. Total, $977.21.

Bible and Colportage Work.

Steady progress has been made in this department of Christian effort. Ten of our missionaries have carried supplies of books with them, while sixteen have worked exclusively as colporters. Four colored brethren have done a considerable work in their respective fields among their people. Forty eight of our pastors have been supplied with books to dispose of among their members.

A greater destitution of scriptures in families has been reported than heretofore. Every demand for them, however, has been promptly met. There has been sold during the year 13,337 books, value for, $6,413.63 ; donated to needy Sunday schools, $20.01 ; 1,130 scriptures donated, value for, $219.14 ; sales and gifts during the year, 14,407 books, value for, $6,652.78. We have twenty-two complete funds of $100 each, and thirteen as yet incomplete. The aggregate of these funds is $2,947.52.

We are again laid under renewed obligations to the American Baptist Publication Society for generous aid extended to us. We have received from it during the year books amounting to $1,000 at catalogue prices. We recommend that the hearty thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Society for its generous aid.

Financial Outlook.

It is to be regretted that the report of a year's work so cheering in its results should be darkened with the shadow of even a small debt. With the rapid exten-

sion of the work we had expected an increase in the gifts of the churches. We have been somewhat disappointed.

December's receipts coming short of our expectation, caused us to begin the year's work with a debt of several hundred dollars. The continued and excessive rains in the early months of the year prevented many of our churches from meeting regularly. Then the pressure upon us to do our full part in the support of the work of the Southern Baptist Convention made our receipts for the first half of the year exceedingly small, and kept the Board under a severe financial strain. With the marketing of the new crop we expected timely and liberal relief, but alas, the low price of cotton blasted in some degree our hopes. Last year it was our joy to report that thirteen Associations had contributed more than the amounts asked from them. This year only one Association has given the amount expected from it. As a consequence, we are not up financially with our work. The Board has had at its command the sum of $13,241.74, and a further sum of $1,758.26 will be required to pay indebtedness to December 31st.

Our sincere thanks are due to the Ladies' Central Committee, who have not only furnished the support of one efficient lady missionary in Charleston, but also a surplus for the general work of the Board. It gives us pleasure to notice the increased interest of the ladies in the evangelization of their own State. It inspires us to know that we have their sympathies, prayers and contributions.

Our Needs.

We want, first of all, the continued, earnest supplications of all our people for God's blessing to rest on the work and the workers. Without this we cannot succeed.

We want a goodly number of educated, consecrated young ministers, who are willing for a time to labor in modest fields, and who, constrained by the love of Christ, are as ready to enter such fields as others are to go to the jungles of India or the forests of Africa. Will the brethren ask God to give us a host of such men?

We want more large-heartedness in giving to State Missions. Let the contributions keep pace with the extension of the work. Some, we fear, look upon the work of our Board as altogether insignificant, and give accordingly.

Conclusion.

With the means at our command we have done the best we could. Much has been accomplished, but much yet remains to be done. Shall we, because of financial depression, relax our efforts? Shall we reduce our force of workers and abandon some of our fields? God forbid! South Carolina Baptists, like South Carolina soldiers, are not good on a retreat. The outlook for the denomination all over the State is inspiring, and we feel assured that the voice of this Convention is against any relaxation of effort; against any abandonment of fields. "Forward," then, my brethren, must continue to be our motto, until a Baptist church is placed within the reach of every citizen of our State, and until every church reflects the light of God's truth in the lives of its members, and gives freely and regularly of its means to send the glad tidings of salvation to earth's remotest bounds.

Contributions during the year for all purposes: State Missions, $13,241.74; Bible and colportage work, $710.59; church building by the children, $977.21; church buildings, $13,436.86; endowment Furman University, $4,311.60; Ministerial Education, $3,129.04; Home Missions, $5,161.15; Foreign Missions, $12,806.18; the Connie Maxwell Orphanage, $3,497.35.

C. MANLY, President.

T. M. BAILEY, Cor. Sec. and Treas.

THE FURMAN MEMORIAL FUND.

Report of the Financial Agent of Furman University.

To the Board of Trustees of Furman University:

In submitting a report as Financial Agent, I beg leave to express my gratitude to the brethren throughout the State for their cordial greeting to me as the representative of their cherished institution. The generous help afforded by many brethren has rendered the discharge of duty a very great privilege, and whatever success has been attained is due largely to the valuable co-operation and kindly sympathy of those who recognized the fitness and utility of the work itself. The campaign among the Associations has been attended with some difficulties and embarrassments, such as financial depression and the low price of our chief staple, but there has been manifested a real desire on the part of many to do more than present ability warrants for the furtherance of this movement, which is accepted by them as a willing testimonial to the virtues and labors of one who was chiefest among us. By the blessing of God, I was enabled to visit twenty-eight (28) Associations, reaching every one in the State except four, and within a period of four months traveling 3,650 miles. I sought to secure contributions to the Furman Memorial Fund from all the churches, believing that a general contribution would the better testify our appreciation of Dr. Furman's long and valuable services. Up to this time I have received contributions and pledges from more than three hundred (300) churches, which, with the donations and pledges of individuals, aggregate the sum of $15,526.79. A large number of churches, through their delegates at the Associations, declared an intention to contribute to the Memorial Fund but without making a definite pledge, and from some of these churches I have already received very gratifying responses, while I doubt not that many others will fulfill their intentions at an early day. The pledges given for definite sums were authorized by the churches in many instances, and I am satisfied that the entire list of pledges is within the ability and willingness of the churches represented. The delegates were careful to confer with each other where they were not already instructed, and the sums named by them were invariably within easy reach of accomplishment. Hence, I regard the promises made by and for the churches as entirely valid and attainable, and the total amount may be confidently relied upon to constitute so much of the Memorial Fund. The amount collected for endowment since 1st of January last, which is made applicable to the Memorial Fund under the action of the Trustees, now amounts to $4,311.60. Of this amount $1,914.08 has been paid directly to the Treasurer.

Under the terms of the last donation from the American Baptist Education Society, a certificate was forwarded to the Corresponding Secretary when $10,000 had been secured in cash and pledges for the Memorial Fund, and the donation of $2,500 was thereby secured and placed to the credit of Furman University. One-fifth of the donation, less the amount deducted for expenses of the Society, has been forwarded by the Treasurer, and is now included among our invested funds, and from time to time as collections are made for the endowment we will obtain pro rata payments from the Treasurer. That is to say, the University is entitled to receive $1.00 for every $4.00 collected for this purpose until the donation is ex-

hausted. The importance of making collections is consequently increased, and the friends of the University have an additional incentive to redeem their pledges at the earliest practicable moment.

In accepting the office of Financial Agent, it was my chief desire to serve the Baptists of South Carolina in an undertaking that was at once creditable to us as a denomination and fraught with practical results of an important character to our principal institution of learning. The desire to honor the memory of Dr. Furman, who had toiled so long and faithfully in the history of higher education, was rightly connected with the purpose of enlarging the usefulness of an institution in which he had wrought so wisely and so worthily for half a century. My connection with the movement was so entirely unexpected, however, that I deemed it proper to impose as a condition of acceptance that the time of the agency, so far as I was concerned, should not be extended beyond the 1st of January, 1892, unless it became apparent that there was a pressing necessity for its continuance under my supervision. The Trustees had failed to secure any one else to undertake the work, and I only consented to occupy the place for a limited period, because of the urgent importance of an active campaign during the season just closed. After rendering this service, I am convinced that the necessity does not exist for my continuance as Financial Agent, and I respectfully ask to be released from the duties and responsibilities of the position. I am entirely willing to continue in the discharge of the office duties until the Trustees shall provide for the appointment of a successor, with the understanding that it shall be without salary or other compensation, and that I will not be expected to travel.

Before closing this report, I ask leave to submit the following recommendations, which are suggested for the consideration of the Trustees. The first relates to the Endowment Fund, which has been steadily growing for some years. The money already gathered has been contributed mainly by persons of moderate means, many of whom have given several times for this purpose. It is all the more satisfactory and helpful to the institution that this statement is true, but in my opinion it will prove beneficial to suspend appeals of a public nature after the completion of the Memorial Fund, as the sum total of endowment will then reach $100,000. I would suggest that an official declaration be made to the effect that appeals to churches and Associations will cease when the $25,000 shall be collected.

The other recommendation is that the tuition fees in the collegiate department of the University shall be reduced at an average of $10.00 per student, beginning with the next session. In anticipation of large income from the invested funds, and with the expectation of an increased number of students, I respectfully suggest a reduction of tuition as a concession to the patrons of the University, many of whom are among the liberal contributors to the endowment. Believing that such a course will be appreciated and endorsed by the denomination, I submit the matter for your judgment, as to whether reduction is feasible at this time.

In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Trustees for their co-operation and kindly aid in the prosecution of the work intrusted to my charge, as my labors have been lightened by the generous assistance given by them as opportunity offered.

Respectfully submitted.

JAMES A. HOYT,
Financial Agent Furman University.

REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

In submitting their annual statement to the Convention, the Board of Trustees of Furman University and the Greenville Female College desire first of all to express their sense of loss in the departure, since your last meeting, of the revered and beloved Dr. James C. Furman. We miss him here, but we are well assured that he has entered into the joy of his Lord.

We are happy to report that the affairs of the two institutions, entrusted by you to our care, are in the main satisfactory and encouraging. With the means at our disposal, and to the extent of our ability, we have endeavored to discharge the trust committed to us with a view to the great interests of the denomination. We are grateful for the increasing intelligent sympathy of our people in the work of the higher education of our young people, and we venture to think that this feeling will not only grow in volume, but manifest itself in ways more and more practically useful.

The interests of the Female College have claimed our earnest attention. The building erected has proved of great advantage, and satisfactory progress has been made in paying for it according to the plan explained to this Convention at a former session. Still another building is needed and should be put up as soon as possible. Besides additional buildings, great improvements in the facilities and equipment of the College are imperatively needed. The Board is most anxious to respond to every demand of the times and to keep pace with the active competition on every hand, in the all-important matter of education for our girls. Plans involving changes and improvements in the College are being carefully considered by the Board. We most earnestly hope that the active interest of the denomination will not only continue, but so increase as to give us larger means for the fostering and improvement of this cherished institution.

Prof. Townes reports that, notwithstanding the inadequate facilities at his disposal, the College has been well attended and very successful in its work. The number of pupils at present is 215, of whom eighty-one are boarders—the largest number of boarding pupils the school has ever had. The departments all move on smoothly and the standards of work are carefully maintained.

With regard to the University the Trustees can report encouraging progress. Since the last Convention very important changes have been made, and the cause is onward. The scope of instruction has been enlarged and the faculty increased. To fill the vacancy occasioned by the lamented death of Dr. Furman, the Board elected Prof. G. B. Moore, who now fills the chair of M oral and Mental Philosophy. The chair of Latin was supplied by the election of Prof. H. P. Young. The school of History and Political Science has been created and its duties divided among the other professors. It is the earnest desire of the Board to fill this chair as soon as possible and also to create an additional professorship in the scientific department. Arrangements have also been made to provide for Biblical study as a part of the course. The Preparatory Department, under the care of Professors Mellichamp and Durham, is doing well.

The Board are most happy to report that for the last session the income of the University met all its expenses, and that, so far, for the present session the same state of things holds good. This, notwithstanding the enlargement of the work and

the stringency of the times, is good progress. The present endowment of the University, as reported to this meeting by the Treasurer, is $75,500 of invested and interest-bearing funds. This figure is liable, of course, to fluctuation, as any invested capital is. Another point to be remembered is that the average of interest constantly tends to decline. Our average from investments is unusually high, and we must expect that our income from endowment must considerably decline within the next few years. The investments are carefully made and guarded by our honored Treasurer, in conjunction with a Finance Committee of three Trustees. The investments at present consist principally of mortgages on real estate.

Upon the completion of the amount of $20,000 added to the endowment last year, it was not the purpose of the Board to make any appeal for an additional amount this year; but when we found that the Education Society had offered us $2,500, if we would raise $10,000 more, we concluded to make the effort. Our honored brother, Dr. R. H. Griffith, having tendered his resignation, to enter other work, the Board accepted it, with grateful appreciation of his labors; and it was not designed to place any other agent in the field at that time. But upon the death of Dr. Furman it was proposed—not by any member of the Board, but by other friends of the University—that an addition should be made to the endowment in order to found and name a professorship in his memory. A meeting of the Board was called in April, to consider this among other matters, and it was decided to merge the effort to raise $10,000 to meet the Education Society's offer with this new movement, and attempt to raise $25,000 to endow the "Furman Memorial Professorship." It was apparent that for so large and unexpected an effort it would be necessary to have an agent in the field. Accordingly, at their meeting last June, the Board prevailed upon Bro. Jas. A. Hoyt to accept the agency and take the field. It is due to Col. Hoyt to say that he accepted the place reluctantly and at a sacrifice and upon the condition that after the meeting of this Convention, *i. e.* with the expiration of this year, he should retire if he saw fit. He has visited the Associations in the interest of this movement and reports that there has been raised, in cash and pledges, the amount of $15,526. Considering the stringency of the times, the recent appeal of last year and the pressing nature of other important appeals, we cannot but regard this as a gratifying success, giving hope of the completion of the entire amount in another year.

In accordance with his purpose on taking the agency, Col. Hoyt has tendered his resignation, to take effect with the close of the year, but has at the same time generously offered to do the office work without remuneration until the Board appoints a successor. The Board has felt constrained to accept Col. Hoyt's proposition and will not now appoint an agent. He will therefore continue to do the work, so far as correspondence and collecting pledges are concerned, for some time, though without salary. The Board will provide, at its June meeting, for the prosecution of the work next fall.

The attendance at the University has been good; there are 144 students now at the institution, and more will probably come. This is not quite so many as last year, but is really an advance when we consider the existing financial depression in our State. The health and good order of the students have been excellent. The messing system continues to be successful. Improvements have been made on the building and grounds, and others are in contemplation. The Trustees regret that their Executive Committee were hindered from erecting the two dining halls pro-

posed at their last meeting, but hope to be able to do this very desirable work during next summer.

In conclusion, the Board desire to make two announcements:

(1) That upon the completion of the proposed Furman Memorial Fund it is not the purpose of the Board, for some years at least, to make any more appeals of this sort to churches and Associations; though, of course, they will ever be glad to receive donations from individuals, for increasing the endowment.

(2) That with the beginning of the next session—September, 1892—the charges for tuition in the Collegiate Department will be reduced $10 per student, from present rates.

Respectfully submitted for the Board of Trustees.

E. C. DARGAN, Committee.

REPORT OF BOARD OF MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

From the Conventional minutes for the year 1884 it appears that the Trustees of Furman University reported only fifteen students who were prosecuting their studies with reference to the gospel ministry. This revelation, coupled with a rapidly increasing demand for preachers to fill our pastorless churches, caused no little concern and thoughtful comment among the members of this Convention. In the year 1886, this deep concern, which had become general, culminated in the appointment of the Education Board. So great was the enthusiasm awakened by this action of the Convention that the churches throughout the State responded to the appeals of the new Board with a promptness and liberality that a long-cherished desire to preach the gospel was rekindled in the souls of many of our young men. In three years the number of ministerial students was increased more than threefold—from fifteen to fifty-one.

This unprecedented response to the call of the Convention for recruits in the Master's service is cause for profound gratitude to God, and at the same time it demands a more careful and decided administration of the affairs of the Board.

Having learned from experience the necessity for more definite rules for its government, the Board came before the Convention and asked for clearer instructions on some very perplexing questions. Your Board has, since that time, submitted all questions to an advisory committee, composed of the most judicious and experienced men that could be secured. The committee alluded to has sometimes been considerably embarrassed in deciding questions of supreme interest to the Board and to the denomination. That its difficulties might be removed and that the brethren might more clearly understand the kind of work done by the Board, it was suggested that the following action be taken by this Convention:

"*Resolved*, That it is the sense of this Convention that in addition to tuition the highest amount to be paid by the Education Board for a ministerial student should be his board in the mess and his room-rent."

Fully realizing the necessity for such action, the Board unanimously recommend the passage of the above resolution.

There are forty-four ministerial students at Furman University, twenty-five of whom are asking other aid besides tuition, and seventeen are asking for tuition only,

and two are paying all expenses. We may expect others to be added to the number before the close of the session. All the students applying for aid appeared before the Advisory Committee and reported the amounts each could furnish, and these sums were increased only so much as the Committee deemed necessary to meet their expenses. Twelve young men from South Carolina have entered the Seminary. Dr. Whitsitt says: "The South Carolina men will cost me about $120 a month." This will aggregate $960 for the entire session, an increase of $360 over any previous year.

To meet all the demands that will be made upon our Treasurer, he must have $4,425, the accounts itemized as follows: For students at Furman: Board, $1,365, tuition $2,100; and for those at the Seminary, board $960. Leaving out of count the cost of tuition, it will appear that the boarding expenses of a student are less at Furman than at the Seminary. Your attention is called to this fact for two reasons: (1) To impress upon the minds of the brethren the importance of advising their friends to remain at Furman until they have completed their courses of study. (2) To show this Convention upon what economical principles the Advisory Committee counsels the disbursement of funds.

In closing this its fifth annual report, the Board would express the deepest feelings of gratitude for the liberal support and commendation it has received from the brethren. There has been cause for rejoicing, in that not one has been turned away from school for the want of funds with which to meet his pressing needs; and on the other hand, the members of the Board have suffered mortification because the account of tuition has not in every case been fully discharged.

J. A. MUNDY, President.

D. W. KEY, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORPHANAGE.

Your Committee reported on this subject last year at Union. The resolutions passed by that Convention explain the disposition which the Convention made of that report. In compliance with those resolutions the joint committee met in the city of Columbia, April 8th, 1891. Twelve members of the committee were present. After organization, the first business that came before the committee was *location*. The following places made offers of real estate or cash, or both, in consideration of the Orphanage being located with them, viz.: Lake City, Catfish, Florence, Williston, Batesburg, Greenwood, Williamston, Greer's, Limestone Springs, and Yorkville. The Blythewood property was also offered us on sale. After a careful canvass of all these, the committee unanimously accepted the offer at Greenwood. This offer was:

1. By the town of Greenwood—Ten acres of land near the town as a building site and $2,200, payable in September, 1891, and January, 1892.

2. By Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Maxwell—Mortuary deeds for 470 acres of land in one body west of the town and near the corporate limits; also, ten acres of town lots, being a square lying near the centre of Greenwood, on which the residence of Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Maxwell stands. To which offer is also added, *by will*, nearly all the personal property of these kind friends. The only condition of this offer being that

the Orphanage should be located at or near Greenwood, and should be named The Connie Maxwell Orphanage—in memory of a deceased daughter (Connie Maxwell).

These conditions were accepted and our Orphanage located at Greenwood. It will, we hope, be chartered under the title: "Connie Maxwell Orphanage."

The second business before the committee was the policy of government of the Orphanage. It was decided to put the institution under the control of a Board of Trustees, the number to be thirteen, these to be elected by the committee to serve until the State Convention elect their successors and prescribe the time and order of their perpetuation. This Board to report annually to the State Convention of Baptists of South Carolina. It was decided that seven of this Board should reside in or near Greenwood, and should constitute a Local Board, and that this Local Board should be in charge of the interests of the Orphanage, to execute the regulations of the full Board. The Board shall hold annual meetings at such time and place as they shall agree upon. The committee then proceeded to the election of thirteen Trustees. The following were elected:

Dr. J. C. Maxwell, J. K. Durst, J. W. Sproles, W. T. Hundley, J. D. Pitts, E. M. Lipscomb, J. W. Wilkes, W. H. Lyles, W. F. Cox, B. P. Smith, S. P. Brooks, H. P. McGee and J. L. Vass.

The following organization was also suggested: Dr. J. C. Maxwell, President; W. T. Hundley, Vice President; J. K. Durst, Secretary and Treasurer.

It was also suggested that the cottage system of building be adopted. A committee of three was appointed to suggest rules for the government of the Board and the Orphanage. The Orphanage was to be put under the charge of a Superintendent to be elected by the Board, and to report to the Board annually. A sub-committee of five was appointed to call the Board together and to assist in its organization; also to go to Greenwood and select a building site for the Orphanage. It was decided then to go into the election of a Superintendent to take charge of the work, subject to the approval of the Board. J. L. Vass was chosen. The committee adjourned.

According to agreement, the Board of Trustees of Connie Maxwell Orphanage and the sub-committee met in Greenwood, April 20th. The Board unanimously adopted all the suggestions of the joint committee. The building site was selected upon the Maxwell land, one mile from Greenwood. Eleven acres of land necessary to complete the site was purchased from Mr. Joel Bailey at a cost of $30 per acre. A full set of rules were adopted. J. L. Vass declined the place of Superintendent, but upon the solicitation of the Board, agreed to remain in charge until the State Convention, as chairman of the committee. It was decided to ask the denomination for $10,000 for the year 1891, to put up one building and to fill it with children, selecting the most destitute of those applying. The Board adjourned.

The chairman of the committee took charge of the work, keeping his office in Darlington, and holding his pastorate. He has worked at a disadvantage, but has done the best that could be done under the circumstances. He visited in person twenty-five Associations, and secured, through friends, the presentation of the work to several other Associations. The work was kindly received everywhere, and, while contributions have not been large, they have been quite general. About $3,400 in cash and between five and six thousand dollars in pledges have been secured. The cash has come from the following Associations:

Abbeville, $231.11; Aiken, $33.45; Barnwell, $81.50; Beaverdam, $46.88;

Broad River, $104.73; Charleston, $95.54; Colleton, $20.55; Chester, $48.75; Edgefield, $218.33; Edisto, $22.48; Fairfield, $37.10; Florence, $43.31; Greenville, $482.58; Lexington, $33.53; Moriah, $56.46; North Greenville, $26.09; Orangeburg, $77.22; Pee Dee, $125.15; Piedmont, $25.56; Reedy River, $88.42; Ridge, $84.05; Saluda, $328.71; Santee, $307.15; Southeast, $140.00; Spartanburg, $273.50; Twelve Mile River, $41.70; Union County, $36.39; Waccamaw, $23.84; Welsh Neck, $238.64; York, $31.86. Persons and Associations unknown, $65.97. Total. $3,497.35. This amount has been disposed of as follows: Expense of committee of seven for 1890, $55.23; traveling expenses of joint committee, 1891; $33.00; traveling expenses of sub-committee, 1891, $31.10; traveling expenses of first board meeting, 1891, $14.70; exchange, 40 cents; express, 75 cents; printing, &c., $3.25; postage and stationary, $10.84; traveling expenses of chairman of committee, $173.15; on new building (paid), $125.00; paid treasurer, $2,091.77; cash on hand, $947.46. Total, $3,497.45. Cash collection at Convention, $38.00.

The first building is now under construction. It is of brick, is 70 × 80 feet, one story, and will serve as an infirmary to the whole plant when complete. This building is put up first because it forms a complete home within itself, as no other building will do, and will serve every purpose of a complete orphanage as far as it goes, until cottages can be put up. It will accommodate about thirty children and their help, and will be ready for occupancy in early spring at farthest. There are almost enough applications of orphan children on file now to fill it. The work is rapidly going forward, and every effort will be made to complete the building in January. The treasurer's report will show that our cash receipts are not large. If all pledges can be redeemed by January 15th we will be able to complete the building. This building stands on the land purchased from Mr. Joel S. Bailey; the town of Williamston pays for this land, and it will be known as the Williamston Square.

The first annual meeting of our Board was held at Greenwood, December 1st. The following business of general interest was transacted: Eleven members of the Board were present. J. L. Vass accepted the Superintendency, his office as Superintendent to date from November 1st, 1891. Trustee B. P. Smith, of Charleston, sent in his resignation, expecting to leave the State. It was accepted and D. W. Alderman, of Manning, was chosen in his place. J. L. Vass resigned his membership on the Board; it was accepted and E. J. Forrester, of Greenwood, was elected to fill the vacancy. Bro. W. T. Hundley resigned his office as Vice President, and Bro. Forrester was elected to fill the office.

The Superintendent and Treasurer made reports, which were approved by the Board. Some other routine business was transacted, and the Board adjourned.

In closing this report, laying down the chairmanship of the committee and taking up the office of Superintendent of the Orphanage, let the writer express the hope that the Convention and the denomination at large will fully adopt and generously support this work. You have made me believe that you think me the man to lead. Will you kindly follow? When my leadership is not what you wish, will you kindly intimate the fact and let me step down and out? There are many marks of Divine approval for the work already. God grant that these may ever be present and that He will accept this work and cause it to redound to His glory.

J. L. VASS, for Committee.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

In The Home Field for October, an article, taken from The Western Recorder, shows an encouraging increase in the work and efficiency of the Home Board during the nine years that have passed since its removal from Marion to Atlanta. The year of its removal from Marion the Board reported 38 missionaries and 333 additions to its mission churches. The first year of its establishment in Atlanta (1883) 95 missionaries and 739 additions were reported, and nine years later (1891) 406 missionaries and 9,987 additions. The last report of the Marion Board shows receipts $28,370, the first report of the Atlanta Board $45,195.27, and the last report $200,303.50. A summary of the work done before and after removal stands thus: During the thirty-seven years before removal: Missionaries employed, 2,186; churches constituted, 406; houses of worship built, 469; additions to mission churches, 31,990. During the nine years after removal: Missionaries employed, 2,086; churches constituted, 1,421; houses of worship built, 483; additions to mission churches, 50,232. The Marion Board did the best it could with the means placed at its disposal; the Atlanta Board has done the same. While we are grateful for the increase in the work and efficiency of the Board, let us not fail to see the broad suggestion contained in these figures, that, if Southern Baptists give and pray as they should, the next nine years will show far grander results.

Four hundred and six missionaries were employed during the last Conventional year, and the work done is divided in The Home Field for August, so as to give the following showing: Sermons preached, 835; prayer-meetings, 200; total religious services, 1,035, with the following results: Baptisms, 103; additions by letter, 89; total additions, 192. Then these missionaries built an average of three houses of worship per week, constituted four new churches, organized eight Sunday schools, and distributed 22,000 pages of tracts. Truly, God has set his seal of approval upon this work. Greatly enlarged contributions should be made and more earnest prayers should be offered. Even South Carolina Baptists gave last year, to the distinctive work of the Board, only about six cents per capita. The magnitude of the field and the success of the work attempted calls loudly for more men and more money.

About 430 missionaries are employed this year. Let us pray for the Board in its direction of these missionaries, and let us pray for the missionaries as they go forth, preaching the word.

"Our Home Field,"

Published monthly by the Board, is doing good service in keeping the progress and needs of the work before its readers. Of course, our State papers are ready at any time to publish such intelligence as their space will allow. This is just as it should be; but Our Home Field seems to occupy a sphere peculiarly its own and should be widely circulated. It is not likely that we shall learn too much, either about the work or the needs of our Board.

In this connection we would make mention of some excellent Home Mission tracts published by the Maryland Baptist Mission Rooms, Baltimore. Especially would we refer to "The Field and the Work," by Dr. J. Wm. Jones; "Our Home Board," by Dr. Wm. Harris; "A Southern Crisis," by Rev. A. C. Dixon, and "The South as a Mission Field," by Dr. W. W. Landrum. Dr. Jones is now putting through the press a tract on "Work among the Negroes," telling what has been

done, what remains to be done, and how to do it. We recommend a general distribution of these tracts among the members of our churches.

Houses of Worship.

We are glad to note that a most encouraging increase is being made in the number of houses of worship built. Last year 143 were built, 59 more than the year before. The sum expended on their erection last year was $60,473; the year previous, $37,324.85. This amount was raised for the Board by co-operative bodies and expended in houses of worship on mission fields by them. At the Convention in Birmingham a report was adopted which recommended that the raising of a special and permanent church edifice fund be committed to our Home Mission Board. Such a fund is greatly needed. Many advantages might be gained by a little timely help given to those who are not able to build houses of worship without assistance. In each of the rapidly springing up and fast growing towns in many sections of our Conventional territory there should be a church home promptly erected for all Baptists who may move in from the adjacent country or elsewhere, and for all others who can comprehend that to be a Baptist is merely to be a New Testament Christian. In every place of destitution where the erection of a house of worship could be considered judicious, such aid should be given as would insure its erection. Means should flow into the hands of the Board for this purpose, and thus put missionaries and struggling churches on such vantage ground as could not otherwise be attained.

Native Population.

Last year the Board had 302 missionaries at work among the native whites. In 1890 the total population was 21,472,072. The membership of white Baptist churches numbered 1,235,765, 1 in 47.3 of the total population. By far the greater part of these are undeveloped. Special effort is needed to draw out the strength of those already within our ranks and thus prepare them for taking a zealous stand for the truth and its dissemination. There is much work to be done in reaching our native population. Florida is said to be an almost unbroken field for missionary effort. Secretary Holt, in one of his reports to the Texas Baptist Convention, says, "We have yet 100,000 square miles of solid destitution." More missionaries are needed in Louisiana. Arkansas, with its rapidly growing population, makes pressing demands for more laborers. These instances, however, may be said to serve only to begin the mention of the real destitution to be found. Our Board can do but a small part of the work that ought to be done—and that ought to be done now —simply because it cannot make a dollar go further than a dollar *will* go.

Foreign Population.

There were 31 missionaries who labored last year among the foreign population, including the Indians. The Board has missions chiefly among the Germans in Louisville, Ky., St. Louis, Kansas City, and other smaller places in Missouri, and in Texas. It is no wonder that our climate, soil and resources should draw Southward a large number of the immigrants who come to the United States. Of course the number may be expected to increase rapidly. It is unnecessary to say, as it has often been said, that these people do not represent the best classes in the countries from which they come, but are generally low, immoral, and depraved. It will not do to neglect them. They are in our midst, presenting error not at a distance, but within our own borders. We must lift them up or they will pull us down. Love

for the purity of our society and the moral welfare of our Southland should prompt us—love for their souls and their spiritual development should force us to send earnest missionaries to meet them with an open Bible and its pure gospel ere they fall by the way or sow their seeds of death in this sunny soil of ours. May the time soon come when we shall look upon the nation as a family and feel as strictly compelled to give the news of life to the stranger within our gates as the children born in our homes.

Indians.

The Board has, as yet, been able to conduct missionary operations among the Indians in the Indian Territory only. While some of them have shown capacity for civilization and mental and moral development, as a race they may be considered rather unpromising subjects by those who try to teach them and uplift them ; but could it be proved that they are the most unpromising and unappreciative subjects ever found in all the history of missionary effort, it would not relieve us of the fact that it is our imperative duty to give them the gospel. We must heed the piteous appeals of those who ask for help, and we must send it even to those who do not ask for it. While our national government, to its shame, has made treaties and broken them, let us esteem it our grand privilege to seek the lonely son of the forest in the mournful decline of his racial strength, and acquaint him with the conditions of the great treaty of eternal peace that can never be broken.

Colored Population.

Dr. Jones in his admirable tract, "The Field and the Work," says, as to the work among the Negroes, that "the Board employs able and well equipped men to hold Theological Institutes for their preachers, deacons, and more intelligent members, and 50 regular missionaries and evangelists, and are seeking to obey the instructions of the Convention and greatly enlarge its work among this people who dwell among us, are so susceptible to the Gospel, and are so ready to receive it at our hands." Truly the work among them should be enlarged. Into this field we must enter full-handed, if we would do our duty, and enter for earnest work. The Negroes are here in considerable force, and so far as we know, are here to stay. We say they are superstitious, grossly immoral, and proverbially dishonest. Then it becomes the more binding on us to try to elevate them. Have we tried ? We may continue to make a jest of their religious professions if we will, but it is high time that we quit laughing at them and begin to pray for them—that we stop our ridicule and start our teaching. They are willing to know, and ready to accept the right way. We have not been careful about possessing their confidence. Let us gain it and then use it for their religious welfare. Inspire them with the proper confidence and there will be found none from whom they will be so ready to accept the truth as from us. We must evangelize the Negroes. We shall forfeit all claims to a true mission spirit if we neglect the ignorant at our very doors. Let us enable the Board to conduct systematic work among them, and as we have them everywhere in our midst, let us, individually, do what we can to reach them in the spirit of love. We have in our own hands the means of settling the vexed Negro problem.

From the development which even a few have proved themselves capable, from the piety which they have shown themselves to possess, from the zeal which they have manifested, it would not be extravagant to say that if the work were done among them that could be done, it would not be long before hundreds might will-

ingly go as missionaries to the land of their fathers and be promptly sustained were they not to expect a penny except from their own home churches.

Cuban Missions.

The 22 missionaries in the field last year supplied 6 churches and 17 other stations, delivered 1,325 sermons and addresses, held 15 weekly prayer meetings, made 3,125 religious visits, baptized 210 converts, and collected $2,000. An average of 679 pupils every Sunday attended the 7 Sunday schools, and 626 pupils were instructed in the daily schools.

Cuba offers a most promising field for mission work. Where others have failed we are succeeding, and our success, on an investment so small compared with the needs of the field, is of such a nature as to deepen our gratitude and enlist our energies for greater efforts than we have yet dared to make. Bro. Diaz says there is not an important city on the island in which we might not now establish a mission with the finest prospects of success. A special feature of the work done there is the development of the churches. On a recent visit, Bro. Diaz remarked, with reference to church members who do not give to the cause of the Lord, "In Cuba we would turn out such members in the morning before breakfast."

The wisdom of our Board, in purchasing such a magnificent building in Havana at so favorable a price, should not cease to be highly commended, nor should we forget to be grateful for the advantage which the possession of such a splendid structure gives to our cause there. The Convention at Birmingham instructed the Board to raise, if possible, $35,000 by December 1st, so as to make both the remaining payments at once, and thereby save at least $5,000 by the discounting of notes and the difference of exchange. South Carolina was requested to give $1,000. We trust this amount has already been forwarded, and that, if all has not been sent, it will be done at once, and that enlarged contributions will be made for the general work there. When we think of the consecrated ability, the tireless energy, the judicious zeal of our noble Diaz—his willingness to suffer and even to die for the cause of the Master—it is not strange that we should call him a modern Paul and see in him a triumph of divine grace. It should be esteemed a privilege to place through our Board such means at his disposal as will enable him to press rapidly the evangelization of the land of his nativity.

We have in Cuba not only our Bro. Diaz, but his earnest co-workers in the gospel. The manifestation of God's favor so recently made to Bro. Cova, sustaining him in the discharge of his duty while the outrage of the offending priest was punished by the courts, should fill us with gratitude. Who can say that this is not a pledge of greater things to come and does not hold within itself sufficient encouragement to enable us to believe that, if consecrated effort were made for the liberation of Cuba, in a short while the dense wilderness of superstition might be felled and that lovely isle be made to blossom as a rose in the garden of the Lord?

In Conclusion

We would say that no one can take even a cursory glance at the general field open to our Board, without being impressed by its magnitude and the grand opportunities it offers. Dr. Tichenor has presented, in an eloquent and masterful style, great facts concerning the material resources and rapid development of the South, which claim our most earnest and honest consideration. Ours is a great section of a great country. The sun shines on no fairer land—on none more highly favored in the

distribution of climatic comfort, mineral wealth and agricultural capacity. That such conditions should attract capital and population is no wonder. It is not hard to see why a vast number of home-seekers should knock at our gates for admission to our advantages. We cannot afford to sleep in the midst of such progress. If we are true to the trusts committed to us as those who hold "the faith once delivered to the saints," free from taint of Romanism or other corruption of man's devising, we mnst seek for the development all along our lines that will present such an unbroken front of moral and religious force as will exert a powerful influence for good in the present and coming years of our history.

The field is before us, and who shall say that it is not for the people who have not "gone away from the ordinances of God" to give the pure gospel to the millions around them? Our Board is not able to do a tithe of the work that might be done, only because it does not receive a tithe of the contributions that might be made. Our people have the means. God will supply the grace of giving as fast and as abundantly as they are willing to accept it.

If our grand host of a million and a quarter Baptists could be taught—to a man—to do their duty and to view it in the light of a God-bestowed privilege, a missionary here and there, already in the field, would no longer have to say, "I can not give my whole time to the work, because my family is not fed," and our Board would no longer have to hold its hands to its ears to shut out the piteous appeals that cannot be granted on account of a little treasury.

Then, brethren of the South Carolina Convention, let us do our duty and let us pray God that our brethren may do their duty—that we all may give and pray, and pray and give until our land becomes so radiant with truth and strong in faith that itself shall not only be bathed in gospel light, but shall aspire to the foremost place in the evangelization of the world.

L. T. CARROLL, for Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Never in the history of Christianity has the bow of promise concerning the redemption of all nations from the darkness of sin been so distinctly discernable as in these closing years of the Nineteenth century. The angel flying in the midst of Heaven having the everlasting gospel to preach to every nation, seems to be speeding his way with increased rapidity. The ears of God's people have been quickened to attend upon the voice of Him who "was dead" but is "alive forever more," as He calls upon them to teach "all nations." His servants who occupy till He come have at last interpreted the promise that the heathen are to be given to Christ for his "inheritance and the uttermost parts of the earth for his possession," and are multiplying the agencies which they hope will accomplish so desirable an end. When we remember the plain promise of our Master, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world," and the positive declaration, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me unto the uttermost parts of the earth," we are surprised that the energies of God's people were so long latent, so far as continuous, *systematic* efforts for giving the gospel to the heathen is concerned. Standing as we do upon the vantage ground which less than a century of such efforts has given us, we are, if possible,

more surprised, for we see already the gateways of the nations passed by the heralds of the cross, and in many places of earth where 100 years ago "gross darkness covered the people," "joy and gladness are found therein, thanksgiving and the voice of melody."

It is true that in the early years of Christianity the disciples were "scattered abroad" and "traveled preaching the word." It is further true that Paul and others preached the gospel to the Gentiles, but the idea of one "going forth and others holding the rope," as applied to evangelizing the nations, is a modern idea. We do not deny that all along through the centuries a beam of light had glimmered in the darkness beyond what might be termed the home fields, as some great soul would go, holding forth the word of life, but that beam often disappeared as that soul was called up higher, or as those sending him were disheartened and gave up the enterprise.

Permanency in Foreign Mission work was attained, however, in 1792, when William Carey, a shoemaker, who had plied his humble but honorable calling in Moulton, England, preached before the Baptist Association at Nottingham. This hitherto obscure Baptist preacher did not know that henceforth "all generations would call him blessed." His text was Isa. 54 : 2-3 ; his theme, "Expect great things from God ; attempt great things for God." Your committee doubts if any sermon preached since the apostolic day has produced such far-reaching results upon the nations of the earth as this. Its author was the very soul of missions, and his theme was as broad as the promises of God, and as a result of this sermon and of work previously done by him, a plan was prepared for forming a society among Baptists for the propagation of the gospel among the heathen, and a *Baptist Missionary Society* was organized at Kettering, Northhamptonshire, at a minister's meeting held October 2, 1792. Among the names of the founders of this society are William Carey, Andrew Fuller, John Ryland, Jr., and Sutcliffe.

We are here reminded of our Lord's parable of the mustard seed. It is the least of all seeds, and when it is sown and when it is grown is the grandest among herbs and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof. Such was the little seed or beginning of modern missions.

The following facts will more suitably emphasize the greatness of the work accomplished from so small a beginning than any words at the command of your committee :

In 1792 we had no missionaries abroad. Now it it estimated that there are about 8,000 on those fields and 6,000 young men and women are in American colleges alone pledged for these fields. Then there was but one permanent missionary society. Now there are 150 general organizations and many auxiliaries. The collections made by the society in Kettering, England, in October, 1792, amounted to £11, 2s and 6d—$64. Now there are collected annually for missions, all told, $11,000,000.

It was seven long and weary years of work before Kris Na Pal, the first convert, was baptized by Carey. Now it is estimated that there are 1,000,000 communicants in all foreign fields ; that there are 5,471 churches, 11,382 stations and out-stations, 4,150 ordained native preachers and 32,000 other helpers. The divine impulse given to so small a beginning and yielding such grand results, is, your committee believes, but the earnest of that help and success which will attend the further prosecution of Foreign Mission work.

Quite an encouraging feature in connection with these efforts is found also in the rapid enrollment of our church members as contributors to Foreign Missions. Thousands of people in all home fields are now committed to and are ardent supporters of Foreign Missions who but a few years since were wholly indifferent to the salvation of their benighted brethren, if not actually opposed to efforts in their behalf. Contrast the attitude of our people toward missions with that of those of a century since. Rev. Sidney Smith, of England, characterized Carey's scheme of converting the natives of India as "the dream of a dreamer who dreams that he has been dreaming." "Universal Missions" were denounced by the Scotch Presbyterian General Assembly as "fanatical, absurd, dangerous and revolutionary." The British Parliament listened to a memorial from the directors of the Honorable the East India Company, in which it was declared with great seriousness, that the "sending of Christian missionaries into our eastern possessions is the maddest, most unwarrantable project that was ever proposed by a lunatic enthusiast," and a speaker in Parliament regaled his audience with a portraiture of the noble men of God who were letting their lips and lives express the holy gospel they professed as "apostles from the loom and anvil." To-day contributions are given to missions by men who themselves are not Christians, because of the power of the gospel to transform the low and vile and brutal among men into law abiding citizens, into loving husbands, kind parents and benevolent friends. To-day kings, potentates and the powers that be extend their fostering care to the humble missionary, and the parliaments of earth are spreading wide the doors of the nations at the call of the heralds of the cross, and millions of rich and poor are casting their offerings into the treasury of the Lord.

Dr. Strong in his excellent little work, "Our Country," tells us that "steam and electricity have mightily compressed the earth; that the elbows of the nations touch; that isolation, the mother of barbarism, is becoming impossible." If so much has been done during 100 years without the "elbow touch," without the present great facilities, may we not, with them, expect the work to advance in a rapid ratio? May we not expect at no distant day to see many waste places "blossom as the rose?"

Our denomination, whom God honored in the projection of Foreign Missions, has borne fruit to the glory of the Master in the prosecution of the same. Statistics have been collected which show that results from the amounts contributed in dollars and cents are greatly in favor of the Baptists. In a recent year the number of heathen added to our churches was more than those added to the Congregational, Christian, Episcopal, Methodist and Presbyterian denominations combined, by more than 3,000. Contributions made by Baptists bear six or seven times as much fruit as the general average of denominations, the general average amounting to $253.17 for each convert; that of the Baptists to $37.05.

Your committee, with gratitude to God, notes the fact that American Baptists were quick to second the efforts of their English brethren in behalf of the lost. In 1806 the Baptists of Philadelphia sent a large contribution to Carey's mission, and in 1806 and 1807 contributed $6,000 to said field. In 1812 five young Congregational missionaries sailed for India. Two of these, whose names are memorable as workers for Christ—Judson and Rice—were converted to the Baptist faith and were immersed upon the shores of India. Thus was thrust upon the American churches the call to "hold the ropes" while the brethren tilled what has proven a most fertile soil. This call had a quickening influence upon the home churches, and when Luther

Rice appeared among them and pleaded the cause of Indian Missions, the light of duty dawned upon them ; they began to muster their forces, and in 1814 the old Triennial Convention was organized.

In 1845 the Southern Baptist Convention was organized. The coustitution declares one of its purposes to be to "promote Foreign Missions." The Convention may not have done all it could, but there has been a rising tide in mission sentiment since its organization, and from time to time she has put a light in a dark place, and now supports missions in China, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Brazil and Japan. In these fields are 38 main stations, 147 out-stations, 69 missionaries, 23 ordained natives, 53 unordained native helpers, 2,377 members. Southern Baptists have greatly multiplied since the organization of their Convention. They now number 1,235,765. They contributed last year for Foreign Missions $113,522.37.

South Carolina Baptists have shared an honorable part in the work done by American Baptists. As members of the Triennial Convention, some of her names were prominent, viz. : Furman and Johnson, the former being the first President of that body. When the Southern Convention was organized, Dr. Johnson was its first President and presided for three years. Dr. Boyce was also President of the Convention for nine years. South Carolina has sent to foreign fields a goodly number of missionaries, viz. : Francis Johnson, B. W. Whilden and wife, Lula Whilden, J. B. Hartwell and wife, F. C. Hickson and wife, J. A. Brunson and wife, H. R. Moseley, W. E. Entzminger and wife, P. H. Goldsmith and wife. South Carolina has sometimes been the banner State in contributions for foreign work. Last year she gave $11,966.73.

Your committee closes the report by directing attention to the fact that we are nearing the centenary of Baptist Foreign Missions. The call which came to our fathers when Judson and Rice were immersed on India's shores, thus severing their connection with their base of supplies—that call was heeded by our fathers and has been emphasized by the marvelous success of the work of the century. God's call comes through victory. He calls through the demands of the present also, as our missionaries plead for reinforcements. Our divisions have driven in the enemy's advance guards ; they are ascending the heights ; along the slopes beyond in many parts of the field the enemy is retreating. A crisis is upon us—a crisis made doubly fearful because the God of the nations has thrust it upon us. We hear his voice, distinct and clear, "Go forward !" The question of the hour is : "Will we be as faithful as were our fathers ? Will we sufficiently equip the soldiers on the field ? Will we supply recruits for the thinning ranks ? Will we extend the lines for the final victory of the cross and for the hastening of the Son of Man ?"

The English Baptists have resolved to raise during 1892 one million dollars. The Northern Baptists have decided to raise a like sum. Southern Baptists are asked to contribute a half million dollars by the end of the centenary year, thus enabling our Board in Richmond to send out one hundred missionaries, one for each year of the century. South Carolina Baptists are asked to contribute, this Conventional year, $18,000, as her quota of the first installment of the $500,000. Will she do so ? If English and American Baptists should put two and a half millions into the Lord's treasury in 1892, could we not hope for the beginning of a new era of missionary enthusiasm, which would send the gospel into the dark places of earth ? Could we not hope that the Lord would soon "open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys ?" Should five hundred missionaries from the Baptist ranks

go forth, would we not expect that in a short period of time, in many places, instead of the thorns would come up the fir tree and instead of the briar would come up the myrtle tree? that the mountains and hills would break forth into singing and all the trees of the field should clap their hands?

REPORT OF CENTRAL COMMITTEE WOMANS' MISSION SOCIETIES.

The Central Committee of Womans' Mission Societies for South Carolina respectfully report: That from Oct. 1st, 1890, to Oct. 1st, 1891, they received for Foreign Missions, $5,079.78, of which the Christmas Offering was $1,551.04, and the Mary Harley Fund, $478.95. $1,420.14 of the Christmas Offering was appropriated to North China, the balance being distributed among various objects, according to the request of the donors, the undesignated amounts from Sunday schools and children's bands being simply used for Foreign Missions, according to the plan of the Board. The Christmas Offering of this year shows an increase of $433.13 over that of last year.

The Committee have received for Home Missions, $962.02, and for State Missions, $527.33. As an expense fund they have received $103.90, which has been used in supplying the societies with missionary literature, for printing, postage, etc.

The total amount received from Woman's Mission Societies is $5,640.76; from Sunday schools and childrens' bands, $1,032.27, making a total of $6,673.03, an advance of $1,021.09 over the total receipts of last year.

The number of Woman's Mission Societies contributing is 229, of which thirty-eight were organized during the year; the number of bands sixty, of which thirty were organized during the year; the number of Sunday schools, thirty-eight.

At the request of the State Mission Board, the Committee are supporting Miss E. Y. Hyde, as missionary in Charleston.

As an encouraging feature of their work the Committee would note the earnest efforts on the part of many of the Vice-Presidents to instruct the women of our more remote country churches as to the facts of present missionary enterprise and duty. It being oftentimes impossible for the Vice-Presidents to visit the churches individually, the Committee have encouraged them to meet as many women as possible at the Associational meetings with the object of aiding them to form and maintain Mission Societies, and in most instances these meetings have seemed productive of good.

Your Committee would assure the brethren of the Convention that they are in perfect accord with those who believe that the pulpit and the public platform are not the true sphere of women, and that they desire to conduct their work in such a way as to secure the same approval and support from the brethren as has so materially aided their work in the past.

It has been suggested by the Executive Committee of the Woman's Missionary Union that the meetings for prayer shall be held in Woman's Missionary Societies every day during the first week of January as a preparation for the work of the Centennial year. An attractive program, with subjects for each day, has been furnished us for distribution. We have also Christmas envelopes and a special program to be

used at the meeting for collecting them, which it is suggested shall be held on the first Wednesday in January. We will supply envelopes and programs to all desiring them. A list of the free leaflets we have for distribution will be found in our annual report, a copy of which we send to each society. We will be glad to furnish a copy to any of the brethren who may wish to see it.

AGED AND INDIGENT MINISTERS.

In carrying out the instructions given us at the last meeting of the Convention, your Committee has done its best. We found that even the few laws enacted for our guidance were imperfect and unsatisfactory ; but we could not complain, as the Convention had adopted what some of us had devised. We believed that the desire of the brethren was that we should aid those who needed aid, and in this faith we went to work. We found brethren here and there over the State, aged and worn-out, to whom even a very small charity came as a blessing, and to these we extended help—not as much as they deserved, but according to our receipts. During the year, we have sent quarterly gifts to eight whom we had promised to help. In three cases, however, we were only helping these good old souls to the tomb. The few dollars came almost too late. In June, Bro. Humphries was buried, and our last payment was for his burial. In September, Bro. Sweat dictated a note of thanks from his sick-bed, acknowledging the receipt of the money we had sent him, and, in a few days, the message came that he too was dead. We found one brother confined in the Lunatic Asylum, not so much because he was crazy, but because he had no home and no helper. We took him out and gave him over to his daughter, promising to supply him at least with food and raiment ; but before we could make a third payment to him, he had heard a Voice that called him hence. For all these honored dead we did but little. Seven or eight dollars a month were all that we could pay. This we gladly gave, and we entertain the hope that even this little was not entirely useless, but went towards lightening life's burden that had been so heavy, and gave to the aged servants of our Lord the assurance that they might at least be sure of bread, though the luxuries of life were not to be theirs.

We now have on our list the names of four others to whom we make quarterly payments, and we have accepted these because we believed they were the most needy. Some brethren have sent in recommendations of others who are poor and needy, and we have not made any promise to them, simply because we feared to rely too much upon an income that is so precarious. We know that there are more who are worthy, and it has been a real grief to us to be compelled to leave some appeals unanswered ; but we saw no other course that seemed wise. By and by our brethren over the State will awake to the real merits of this work, and then we shall be able to do more. But is it not sad to think that until then there must be some who will suffer in their age, and perchance die in absolute want ?

Your Committee has received for its use $390.79, and paid out $289.59. This leaves a balance on hand to begin a new year with, but the first payment of 1892 will consume it all. We beg our brethren to help us in a systematic sort of way, so that we may have an idea of what promises to make ; or if you will tell us to borrow what the treasury fails to furnish, and then look to you, we will undertake

the work with new courage for the future. It is surely a noble charity. If there is any earthly call that ought to be able to provoke our good works, this surely is it—the helping of the old and worn-out, the lending of a staff to the weary, the holding up of the head of the fainting, and bringing it to pass for the hoary that "at evening it shall be light." C. C. BROWN.

IN BEHALF OF THE NEGRO PREACHERS.

Your committee set out in good faith to expend the money appropriated by the Convention for aiding negro preachers as wisely as we knew how. We had a meeting in the city of Columbia, early in the year, and, after due deliberation, thought it best to select as beneficiaries such men as were known to President Becker, of the Benedict Institute—men whom he had tried and who had been at school one or more terms and who were dependent upon outside aid. We selected of these as many as we found we could aid—nine in all—and put them to work. At the end of the term, a report of their progress was made to the chairman of the committee, and there was every reason to believe that they were hard-working and industrious men. We had hoped to keep them at school for a number of years and at last send them out in a measure prepared to teach the gospel to their people; but the receipts for State Missions fell so low that the Secretary of the Board has not been able to pay us any money for this term, and hence about one-half of the five hundred dollars voted to us remains unpaid, and hence unused.

We are still convinced that the greatest missionary work for us Southern people lies in educating the negro preachers, so that they may teach the truth to their people, and we urgently beg the Convention to carry on the work begun. We know that results will not soon be apparent, but we know also that we have nothing to do with results, if we expect to conduct this work as God has seen fit to direct that all His work be carried on.

C. C. BROWN, for the Committee.

Resolved, That the pastors of our churches be requested to make an effort to raise a special fund of $500 for the education of negro preachers in Benedict Institute, to be administered under the direction of the Committee appointed for this purpose.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Location—Greenville, S. C.

Chas. Manly, President; C. H. Judson, Vice-President; H. T. Cook, Auditor; T. M. Bailey, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer; J. C. Smith, W. C. Lindsay, N. N. Burton, W. T. Derieux, C. T. Scaife, R. W. Lide, I. M. Mercer, E. L. Wilkins, J. W. Norwood.

Respectfully submitted. JOEL I. ALLEN, Chairman.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Your Committee on Obituaries would respectfully submit the following report:

From all available sources, we have learned of the death of fifteen ordained ministers during the year. This appears to be a larger number than usual, and admonishes us who remain that at best the time for labor is short, and that we must be diligent in the Master's work, if we shall accomplish the part committed to each before the night cometh. The majority of these fifteen brethren entered upon rest after long years of faithful service, and at a ripe age. A few were widely known throughout the Convention, but a number of them were scarcely known beyond those sections of the State which enjoyed their labors.

J. E. W. Walker

Was called at the early age of 31 years, to lay aside his work. He received what education his delicate health allowed him to acquire, and for a few years served several churches near Hamburg. Having nobly worked during these short years, God took him to himself March 26th, 1891.

J. M. Garrison,

Having served his generation through many years of faithful living and working, fell on sleep September 16th, 1891, at his home in Mecklenburg county, N. C., after attaining the age of 82 years. He was ordained to the ministry when past his 40th year. Whether as missionary or colporter, or when during the years of his old age, he was not engaged in the active ministry, he was always eager to do what he could for the Master. He died a member of the Flint Hill church, which he joined in early life.

J. E. Burgess.

Of the Broad River Association, died August 10th, 1891, in the prime of life, having completed his 37th year. His educational advantages were limited, but for fifteen years he did useful work in the ministry. He preached the gospel to the poorer churches, and labored with his own hands to supplement a small salary. He laid down his work and closed his life in peace and in confident anticipation of the better life.

F. C. Jeter

Died at his home near Fishdam, Union county, September 26th, 1891. Not dependent upon his salary alone for his support, he was during his ministry pastor of a number of poor country churches, and he rejoiced in being able to do this work. For several years Bro. Jeter was the Moderator of the Union Association. He was a close observer of men and things, and a man of decided convictions, but of a sympathetic and kindly nature.

James T. Sweat

Died in Hampton county, October 18th, 1891, at the advanced age of 80 years. He was a man of strongly marked character, often severe in his denunciations of sin and sinful men, but possessed a warm and tender heart. He spent a life of great activity and usefulness in the ministry, working with his own hands for the support of a large family.

S. P. Getzen,

Of the Edgefield Association, died last March, at the advanced age of 84 years, after a ministry of more than 50 years. He was a man noted for his deep piety and sterling character.

J. C. Humphries,

Of Union county, was born September 16th, 1810, and died May 22, 1891. He was a devoted and consecrated servant of his Master, and spent a useful life.

J. S. Perryclear

Is another useful man among the older preachers who has passed away during the year. He was born in Beaufort county, and for years labored faithfully in the lower part of the State.

D. J. Knox,

Of the Beaverdam Association, has also died, at the age of about 60 years. We know none of the facts in his life.

Hiram Lecroy

Was born in Anderson county, December 23, 1808, and died November 22, 1891. His early education was limited, but being a man of good mind, excellent character and strong convictions, he became a wise counsellor and a trusted leader of those among whom he labored. He was ordained in 1836, and the early portion of his ministry was spent in upper South Carolina and in Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi. The last thirty or thirty-five years of his life he spent in preaching in the Edisto Association. He was a diligent student of God's word, and was a preacher of very considerable power and influence, and the results of his labors will long be seen in the communities in which he labored.

J. S. West

Died at Clinton, in March, 1891. He was in the employment of the State Board at the time of his death. He was called home in the prime of young manhood, being about 38 years old. He had faithfully served his Master.

H. C. Smart

Died at his home in Troy, October 5th, 1891, after a long decline in health followed by more severe illness. He was widely known and highly honored as one of the best and most useful preachers in our State. A native of Beaufort county, he was so popular with his fellow-citizens that they sent him to the State Legislature when barely of age. Then during the war he made an excellent officer as the Captain of a cavalry company. After the war he retired to his plantation and lived as an honored Christian citizen until he felt called of God to the work of the ministry. Ordained to the work in 1874, he spent several years as an esteemed pastor of the Savannah River Association; then he moved to the Abbeville Association, and during the remainder of his life was pastor of several of Abbeville's most prominent churches. He was everywhere loved and honored for noble qualities of head and heart. In the midst of his labors, at the age of 58, he was called to receive his reward.

Robert Napier

Was born in Norfolk, Va., February 21, 1806, and when five years old was brought by his father to Marion county, S. C. At the age of nineteen years he was baptized, by Rev. Gregory Rollins, into the fellowship of Catfish Church, and entered soon afterwards Furman Institute as a ministerial student, where, in company with such men as James C. Furman, J. O. B. Dargan, Noah Graham, Isaac Nichols and H. W. Mahoney, he took a four years' course. To him the Bible was the book of books. He read it frequently, compared Scripture with Scripture, and, relying on the guidance of the Holy Spirit, he understood it better than most men. His

example was one of successful long pastorates. He served Mt. Zion eleven years, Willow Creek thirty-two years and Mizpah forty-four years. It was through his instrumentality that Marion Church was instituted, and by his personal efforts $2,200 was raised for the building of their house of worship. For some years before his death he was totally blind, so that he was unable to preach, but by his pure life, his cheerful spirit of resignation and his godly conversation he continued to bear witness for Jesus until the 19th of April, 1891, when he was called up higher.

J. C. Furman, D. D.

There was experienced a feeling of profound sorrow and of personal loss by almost every Baptist in the State, and by many beyond our borders, to say nothing of the regret felt by large numbers in other churches, and in no church, when the news spread over the State that Dr. James C. Furman had passed from earth on March 3rd, of this year. The Lord had lengthened out his days far beyond the limit of life attained by most men, as if the divine purpose was that he should add the perfecting touches to a life-work already unusually full and far-reaching in its influence and effects. Both the work he done at the Institution he loved so well, and the remarkable perseverance and power which he exercised for its accomplishment, at an age when most men rest quietly after the toils of an active life, seem to indicate that a special providence permitted him to linger so long among us before he was called to his rest and reward. When Furman University, in whose great work were centered his affections, his hopes and his abilities, and of which one dark day he said, "If she goes down, I want to go down with her;" when the University had reached firm ground after her stormy voyage, and her future life and growing usefulness became assured, then the earthly life of our honored brother, which grew even more resplendent in its noble energies during the darker and less promising hours of its work, was quickly transformed into the heavenly and triumphant life of a glorified Son of God.

Your Committee will not attempt to sketch the life or portray the character of this eminent man of God. The details of his life and work were somewhat fully given by the papers soon after his death. His noble Christian character, unusually round and symmetrical, was admired by us all, and in this Convention are some of his sons in the gospel, and many others, whose lives and characters, under his influence and teaching, were greatly impressed by him. It is to be hoped that a life so influential for good will be written in some worthy way, that its lessons may bless many who did not personally know Dr. Furman.

The life-work of Dr. Furman, whether as pastor or educator, was ever closely identified with the Convention, of which he was President, at different times, seven years. For many years past there has doubtless been thankfulness in the hearts of the members of the Convention when at each meeting his well-known face and form would appear among his brethren. Last year this thankfulness expressed itself in a resolution passed by the body.

To-day we are sad as we miss his kindly features and his consecrated wisdom. Mingled feelings of grief and gratitude are experienced by us when we think of our departed brother—grief that we shall see him no more in the flesh, but gratitude that God permitted him to live so long and to do such valuable service for his State and denomination. We shall not see him again among these earthly scenes, but his work will abide to bless this and coming generations.

J. A. BROWN, for the Committee.

TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING AND PERSON TO PREACH.

Place of Meeting—Aiken. *Time*—Wednesday night before the first Sunday in December, 1892. Convention sermon by Rev. J. D. Pitts; alternate, Rev. C. T. Scaife.

Respectfully submitted. W. J. LANGSTON, Chairman.

ON NOMINATION OF BOARD OF MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Place—Greenville. J. A. Mundy, President; D. W. Key, Secretary; G. A. Norwood, Treasurer; W. T. Hundley, B. G. Covington, A. C. Wilkins, J. S. Croxton, I. W. Wingo, R. N. Pratt, W. J. Langston, R. G. Patrick.

Respectfully submitted. J. D. HUGGINS, Chairman.

CONNIE MAXWELL ORPHANAGE, GREENWOOD, S. C.

Rev. J. L. Vass, Superintendent, Greenwood, S. C.

Trustees—Dr. J. C. Maxwell, President; E. J. Forrester, Vice-President; J. K. Durst, Secretary and Treasurer; J. W. Sproles, S. P. Brooks, E. M. Lipscomb, J. D. Pitts, W. H. Lyles, D. W. Alderman, J. W. Wilkes, W. F. Cox, H. P. McGee, W. T. Hundley.

COMMITTEE ON AGED AND INDIGENT MINISTERS.

Treasurer—Joel E. Brunson, Sumter, S. C.

C. C. Brown, B. G. Covington, W. D. Rice, J. C. Browne, I. W. Wingo.

COMMITTEE ON NEGRO PREACHER FUNDS.

C. C. Brown, Sumter, S. C.; W. C. Lindsay, A. J. S. Thomas.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

T. M. BAILEY, Treasurer, in account with the Executive Board of the South Carolina Baptist State Convention.

STATE MISSIONS.

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1890.						
Dec. 4.	To balance in Treasury				$ 1,376 38	
"	Cash from Abbeville	Association			349 78	
"	" " Aiken	"			328 67	
"	" " Barnwell	"			415 74	
"	" " Beaverdam	"			95 44	
"	" " Broad River	"			145 66	
"	" " Charleston	"			872 78	
"	" " Chester	"			287 70	
"	" " Colleton	"			214 62	
"	" " Edgefield	"			332 91	
"	" " Edisto	"			398 45	
"	" " Fairfield	"			253 13	
"	" " Florence	"			317 00	
"	" " Greenville	"			654 90	
"	" " North Greenville	"			146 57	
"	" " Lexington	"			129 98	
"	" " Moriah	"			175 76	
"	" " Orangeburg	"			315 34	
"	" " Pee Dee	"			436 42	
"	" " Piedmont	"			88 04	
"	" " Reedy River	"			609 50	
"	" " Ridge	"			444 53	
"	" " Saluda	"			768 41	
"	" " Santee	"			521 26	
"	" " Savannah River	"			569 81	
"	" " Southeast	"			487 86	
"	" " Spartanburg	"			532 69	
"	" " Twelve M. River	"			118 21	
"	" " Union County	"			219 89	
"	" " Waccamaw	"			21 49	
"	" " Welsh Neck	"			685 62	
"	" " York	"			269 38	
"	" " Central Committee of W. M. S.				469 51	
"	Interest on Mary Harley Fund				60 21	
"	Amt. transferred from Bible and Colportage Fund				128 10	
						$13,241 74

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By cash to Hoyt & Keys, for Convention minutes	$	153 00
" Postage and express on same		20 00
" Traveling expenses Board members		45 27
" Sundries for Corresponding Secretary's office		18 10
" Printing and stationery		74 50
" Traveling expenses Corresponding Secretary		296 56
" Clerk hire		150 00
" Postage		84 12
" Expense on cash received		3 05
" Balance of missonaries' salaries for 1890		2,441 91
" Cash to T. M. Bailey, Corresponding Secretary		1,360 89
" " " J. M. Kirton		299 94
" " " J. C. Brown		93 75
" " " J. S. Jordan		12 50
" " " L. T. Carroll		56 25
" " " D. W. Hiott		56 25
" " " W. A. Gaines		168 75
" " " W. G. Britton		112 50
" " " Miss E. Y. Hyde		225 00
" " " C. P. Ervin		112 50
" " " S. Bishop		131 25
" " " M. W. Gordon		70 41
" " " J. Q. Adams		75 00
" " " P. G. Hopper		18 75
" " " R. A. Sublett		200 00
" " " J. C. Browne		75 00
" " " J. D. Peacock		37 50
" " " G. M. Tolson		450 00
" " " T. M. Galphin		200 00
" " " N. N. Burton		374 70
" " " J. W. Blanton		150 00
" " " R. J. Edwards		75 00
" " " D. I. Spearman		37 50

By cash to		J. A. Bell	150 00	
" " "		W. D. Horton	75 00	
" " "		C. A. Baynard	90 00	
" " "		J. F. Morrall	37 50	
" " "		H. T. Crapse	18 75	
" " "		J. M. Bostick	37 50	
" " "		W. R. Hiott	37 50	
" " "		B. C. Lampley	112 50	
" " "		J. H. Edwards	25 00	
" " "		F. M. Satterwhite	75 00	
" " "		J. T. Smith	75 00	
" " "		A. J. Eddins	15 00	
" " "		W. E. Hicks	78 75	
" " "		R. G. Patrick	150 00	
" " "		P. J. M.Osborne	100 00	
" " "		J. P. Coleman	230 00	
" " "		T. W. Mellichamp	37 50	
" " "		J. J. Myers	37 50	
" " "		S. M. Richardson	112 50	
" " "		J. L. Rollins	318 75	
" " "		J. J. Powers	33 75	
" " "		H. F. Oliver	16 40	
" " "		M. J. Willoughby	37 50	
" " "		John G Williams	18 75	
" " "		J. E. McManaway	37 50	
" " "		F. O. S. Curtis	19 50	
" " "		T. P. Lide	75 00	
" " "		J. S. McLemore	152 46	
" " "		H. T. Smith	206 25	
" " "		J. B. Parrott	56 25	
" " "		H. Fowler	138 75	
" " "		V. I. Masters	125 00	
" " "		J. S. M. Finch	125 00	
" " "		B. P. Robertson	125 00	
" " "		J F. McMillan	37 50	
" " "		Jas. I. Kendrick	100 00	
" " "		J. S West	53 75	
" " "		B. J. Woodward	380 53	
" " "		T. F. Nelson	161 06	
" " "		D. C. Freeman	100 00	
" " "		G. A. Sowell	37 50	
" " "		W. R. Briscoe	223 04	
" " "		R. H. Burriss	230 81	
" " "		J. W. Kramer	24 00	
" " "		W. H. Simpson	100 00	
" " "		W. H. Gibson	100 00	
" " "		A. P. Turner	100 00	
" " "		E. R. Richardson	125 00	
" " "		E. A. McDowell	100 00	
" " "		R. P. Galphin	37 50	
" " "		M. McGee	25 00	
" " "		J. R. Pentuff	50 00	
" " "		E. Wells	250 00	
" " "		J. Ferris	100 00	
" " "		J. H. Pearcy	25 00	
" " "		D. A. Swindler	14 40	
" " "		J. T. Henerey	10 00	
" " "		W. H. Dowling	18 75	
" " "		Dr. Becker for education of colored ministers	177 00	
				$13,241 74

CHURCH BUILDINGS.

Summerville Church Building.

To balance	$342 18		
To cash	1 00-$343 18	By cash in bank	$343 18

New Church Building in Charleston.

To cash	$200 00	By cash in bank	$200 00

Chesterfield Church Building.

To balance	$411 84	By cash to Building Committee	$411 84

Yorkville Church Building.

To balance	$496 40		
To cash	10 28-$506 68	By cash to Building Committee	$505 68

HAMPTON CHURCH BUILDING.

To balance	$ 90 32		
To cash	305 08–$395 40	By cash to Building Committee	$365 40

PIEDMONT CHURCH BUILDING.

To cash	$300 45	By cash to Building Committee	$300 45

NEW PROVIDENCE CHURCH BUILDING.

To cash	$109 75	By cash to Building Committee	$109 75

TATUM'S STATION CHURCH BUILDING.

To cash	$250 65	By cash in bank	$250 65

MARY HARLEY FUND.

To amount of bequest	$900 00	By note First Ch., Columbia.	$163 04
		By note Chesterfield Ch	436 96–$900 00

BIBLE AND COLPORTAGE WORK.

GENERAL FUND.

DR.

To donations from the American Baptist Publication Society	$ 576 90

CR.

By Express, freight and drayage	$ 179 82	
" Loss on damaged books	17 02	
" Cash for Tracts	11 71	
" Books donated to needy Sunday schools	20 01	
" Twine	1 10	
" Bibles and Testaments donated	219 14	
" Amount transferred to State Missions	128 10	
		$ 576 90

PERMANENT FUNDS.

DR.

Abbeville Association—"Wm. Williams Memorial Fund"		$ 117 14
Barnwell " —"James F. Buist Memorial Fund"		118 21
" " —Great Salkehatchie Centennial Fund:		
To balance	$ 8 00	
To cash	35 00–	43 00
Beaverdam S. S. Convention Fund		100 00
Broad River Association Fund		75 18
Charleston Association—"B. C. Pressley Fund"		100 00
Charleston Association—"Thos. P. Smith Fund":		
To balance	69 15	
To cash	15 00–	84 15
Chester Association Fund		116 10
Colleton " —"B. G. Price Memorial Fund"		100 00
Edgefield " —"Wm. B. Johnson Memorial Fund"		100 00
Edisto " —"Hiram Lecroy Memorial Fund"		107 78
Florence Association—"Robert Napier Memorial Fund":		
To balance	3 02	
To cash	17 00–	20 02
Fairfield Association—"Pauline Scott Memorial Fund"		58 00
S. S. First Church, Columbia—"Robert King Fund":		
To balance	75 00	
To cash	25 00–	100 00
Greenville Association—"Jas. C. Furman Memorial Fund"		101 04
S. S. First Church, Greenville—"The Elford Mem. Fund"		100 00
"James P. Boyce Memorial Fund":		
To cash		5 00
North Greenville Association—"Earle and Reid Memorial Fund"		73 08
Lexington Association Fund		59 80
Moriah Association Fund:		
To balance	2 00	
To cash	15 59–	17 59
Orangeburg S. S. Convention—"D. W. Cuttino Mem. Fund"		100 15
Pee Dee Association—"J. A. W. Thomas Fund"		127 19
Piedmont Association Fund		35 70
Reedy River Association—"John Belton O'Neal Memorial Fund"		172 85
Ridge Association—"Luther Broaddus Memorial Fund"		108 37
Saluda Association—"Amaziah Rice Memorial Fund"		100 98
" " —"J. Scott Murray Fund":		
To cash		20 00

Santee Association—"Noah Graham Memorial Fund"		101 91	
Savannah River Association—"Joseph A. Lawton Fund"		103 38	
Southeast Association—"J. L. Rollins Fund"		100 00	
Spartanburg Association—"Jno. G. Landrum Mem. Fund"		106 21	
Twelve-Mile River Association Fund		4 50	
Union County S. S. Convention Fund		100 28	
Welsh Neck Association—"Jno. Culpepper Mem. Fund"		100 46	
York Association Fund:			
To balance	67 45		
To cash	2 00	69 45	
			$ 2947 52

CR.

By books in hands of Colporters	$3213 46	
By books in Secretary's office	98 31	
	$3311 77	
Bills payable		364 25
		$3311 77
1891 Dec. 3. To Permanent Funds		$2947 52

This is to certify that I have carefully examined the account of Dr. T. M. Bailey, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer of the South Carolina Baptist State Convention, showing receipts and expenditures to the above date, and find the same correct and supported by proper vouchers.

Greenville, S. C., Dec. 1st, 1891. H. T. COOK, Auditor S. C. B. S. C.

REPORT OF TREASURER BOARD OF MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

G. A. NORWOOD, Treasurer, in account with the Board of Ministerial Education:

1890. DR.

Oct. To amount received A. S Duncan		$ 223 92
" " " Abbeville Association		80 93
" " " Aiken "		59 00
" " " Barnwell "		190 36
" " " Beaverdam "		18 68
" " " Broad River "		40 35
" " " Charleston "		155 22
" " " Chester "		151 15
" " " Edgefield "		63 76
" " " Edisto "		9 25
" " " Fairfield "		29 50
" " " Florence "		96 77
" " " Greenville "		410 12
" " " Moriah "		117 52
" " " North Greenville "		22 18
" " " Orangeburg "		53 40
" " " Piedmont "		35 58
" " " Pee Dee "		230 23
" " " Ridge "		45 89
" " " Reedy River "		44 20
" " " Spartanburg "		103 73
" " " Savannah River "		155 24
" " " Saluda "		157 77
" " " Southeast "		1 00
" " " Santee "		86 21
" " " Union County "		57 75
" " " Welsh Neck "		347 60
" " " York "		38 41
" " " Miscellaneous		427 24

1890. CR.

Oct. By cash paid Dr. Whitsitt		$ 400 00
" " " Students at Furman University		1,855 54
" " " J. R. Pentuff at Louisville		7 85
" " " Hoyt & Keys		1 50
" " " Dr. Manly for tuition		200 00
" " " For Postals		2 00
" " On hand		662 15

I have examined the accounts up to date of G. A. Norwood, Treasurer of Board of Ministerial Education of South Carolina Baptist State Convention, and find the same correct with proper vouchers for all expenditures. H. T. COOK,
Auditor S. C. B. State Convention.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

C. H. JUDSON, *Treasurer*, in account with the State Convention of the Baptist denomination in South Carolina.

1890.		
	Dr.	
Dec. 7.	To collection (Union)	$31 58
	Cr.	
12.	By paid by G. A. Norwood for Ministerial Education	$31 58

Respectfully submitted. C. H. JUDSON, Treas.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF ORPHANAGE.

J. K. DURST, *Treasurer*, in account with the Connie Maxwell Baptist Orphanage, December 1, 1891.

	Dr.		
To cash collected to date			$2,949 20
	Cr.		
By amount for Children's Cottage fund	$	4 00	
" " paid W. V. Blythe on building		1,000 00	
" cash paid two telegrams		50	1,004 50
Cash in bank			1,945 70
			$2,949 20

J. K. DURST, Sec'ty and Treas.

Churches Constituted, 1891.

Cross Roads, Newberry County, April 15.
Dillon, Marion County, June 26.
Harper's, Georgetown County, October 4.
Hickory Grove, Charleston Association.
Greene Street, Spartanburg, May 3.
Latta, Marion County, September 6.
Memorial, St. George's, September 6.
Oakdale, Anderson County, July 18.
Picken C. H., Pickens County, May 16.
Poplar Springs, Anderson County.
Tatum's, Marlboro County.
Cantey, Kershaw County.
DeKalb, Kershaw County.

Churches Dedicated, 1891.

Bloomingvale, Williamsburg County, May 24.
Eureka, Anderson County, October 11.
Greene Street, Spartanburg, May 3. $1,200.
Golden's Creek, Pickens County, August —.
First, Spartanburg, November, 29. $10,000.
Hopewell, Anderson County, July —. $2,000.
Memorial, St. George's, December 20. $2,200.
Piedmont, Greenville County, July 26. $3,000.
Rutherford Street, Greenville. $1,200.

COMPLETED, OR BEING BUILT.

Lambert's, Harpers's, Sally, Chesterfield, New Providence, Latta, Dillon, Tatum's, Cantey, DeKalb, Yorkville, Hampton. About $20,000 will be expended on these last named buildings.

Ministers Ordained, 1891.

Ackerman, L. B., Anderson County, May 24.
Anderson, J. B., Elko, July 2.
Burton, G. H., Bethany, Edgefield County, June 1.
Campbell, Thos. A., Laurens County, January 21.
Easterling, E. P., Beaverdam, Marlboro County, September 6.
Entzminger, W. E., Blythewood, June 21.
Gassaway, Marion, Bethany, Anderson County, July 18.
Finch, J. S. M., Philadelphia, Spartanburg County, July 12.
Haynsworth, Wm., Sumter, July 2.
Jones, C. A., Batesburg, July 8.
Kneece, W. H., Montmorenci, November 20.
Moorer, W. D., Greenville, January 21.
Parish, M. E., Anderson, August 9.
Riddle, S. J., Prosperity, December 27.
Smith, R. H., Anderson, December 14.
Wright, Geo. A., Johnston, February 4.

Ministers Deceased, 1891.

"The Memory of the Just is Blessed."

Burgess, J. E., Ravenna, August 10, aged 37.
Furman, Jas. C., Greenville, March 3, aged 82.
Garrison, J. M., Fort Mill, September 16, aged 82.
Getzen, S. P., Hamburg, March 2, aged 84.
Hamilton, W. H., Conway.
Humphries, J. C., Santuc, May 22, aged 81.
Jeter, F. C., Fish Dam, September 26.
Knox, D. J., Bachelor's Retreat, aged 60.
Lecroy, Hiram, Aiken county, November 22, aged 83.
Martin, J. H., Aiken County.
Napier, R., Mars' Bluff, April 19, aged 85.
Smart, H. C., Troy, October 5, aged 58.
Sweat, Jas. T., Stafford, October 18, aged 80.
West. J. S., Clinton, March, aged 38.
Walker, J. E. W., Hamburg, March 26, aged 31.

CALENDAR OF ASSOCIATIONS, 1891--92.

ASSOCIATION.	MODERATOR.	POST OFFICE.	CLERK.	POST OFFICE.	PLACE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING.
1. Abbeville	J. H. Wideman	Bradley	Ben. Chiles	Greenville	Mt. Carmel, Abbeville Co., Tuesday, September 6th.
2. Aiken	J. C. Browne	Aiken	H. W. McLemore	Barnwell	White Pond, Aiken Co., Tuesday, October 4th.
3. Barnwell	W. D. Rice	Graham's	W. D. McMillan	Blackville	Mt. Arnon, Barnwell Co., Thursday, October 20th.
4. Beaverdam	J. R. Earle	Holland's Store	W. W. Leathers	Westminster	South Union, Oconee Co., Tuesday, August 9th.
5. Broad River	J. S. Ezell	Martinsville	S. M. Bagwell	Glendale	Mt. Ararat, Spartanburg Co., Thursday, August 25th.
6. Charleston	T. P. Lide	Elloree	W. J. Snider	Elloree	Georgetown, Georgetown Co., Thursday, Nov. 3d.
7. Chester	R. W. Sanders	Chester	W. H. Edwards	Rock Hill	Fort Lawn, Chester Co., Tuesday, September 27th.
8. Chesterfield	D. T. Redfearn	Long Pine, N. C.	T. Threatt		Elizabeth, Chesterfield Co., Friday, October 14th.
9. Colleton	J. T. Hiers	Round	R. S. Williams	Salkehatchie	Doctor's Creek, Colleton Co., Tuesday, October 18th.
10. Dorchester	F. M. Droze	Oakley	S. P. Driggers	Summerville	
11. Edgefield	W. H. Yeldell	Longmire's	S. C. Cartledge	Parksville	Bethany, Edgefield Co., Thursday, September 8th.
12. Edisto	H. L. Baggott	Wagener	J. C. Courtney	Kitching's Mills	Mt. Pleasant, Aiken Co., Tuesday, October 18th.
13. Fairfield	S. W. Bookhart	Blythewood	John Boyd	Winnsboro	Crooked Run, Fairfield Co., Thursday, October 4th.
14. Florence	F. P. Covington	Florence	Elihu Muldrow	Ebenezer	Ephesus, Florence Co., Friday, November 11th.
15. Greenville	James A. Hoyt	Greenville	D. T. Smith	Greenville	Brushy Creek, Greenville Co., Tuesday, August 16th.
16. Lexington	Evans Hall	Samaria	C. B. Avery	Lewledale	Florence, Lexington Co., Friday, October 21st.
17. Moriah	J. S. Croxton	Heath Springs	M. W. Rankin	Taxahaw	Camp Creek, Lancaster Co., Tuesday, October 18th.
18. North Greenville	R. F. Whilden	O'Neal	J. Tupper Henerey	Norah	Mt. Lebanon, Greenville Co., Thursday, Aug. 18th.
19. Orangeburg	S. B. Sawyer	Graham's	J. W. Blanton	Jamison	Ebenezer, Orangeburg Co., Friday, October 14th.
20. Pee Dee	J. A. W. Thomas	Bennettsville	J. J. Lane	Clio	Catfish, Marion Co., Thursday, October 13th.
21. Piedmont	J. H. Bowen	Farr's	J. Jameson	Cason	Central, Pickens Co., Thursday, August 4th.
22. Reedy River	J. H. Wharton	Waterloo	L. S. Fuller	Laurens	Bush River, Newberry Co., Wednesday, August 31st.
23. Ridge	W. H. Timmerman	Timmerman	G. P. White	Johnston	Ridge Spring, Edgefield Co., Tuesday, Sept. 13th.
24. Saluda	J. S. Murray	Anderson	M. McGee	Honea Path	Broadmouth, Anderson Co., Tuesday, August 2d.
25. Santee	T. V. Walsh	Sumter	C. C. Brown	Sumter	Manning, Clarendon Co., Thursday, October 6th.
26. Savannah River	J. F. Morrall	Allendale	A. M. Bostick	Hampton	Harmony, Barnwell Co., Thursday, November 17th.
27. Southeast	W. L. Bass	Lake City	J. B. Lewellen	Friendfield	Black Mingo, Williamsburg Co., Tuesday, Nov. 8th.
28. Spartanburg	L. C. Ezell	Woodruff	A. B. Woodruff	Woodruff	New Prospect, Spartanburg Co., Tuesday, Aug. 23d.
29. Twelve Mile River	John T. Lewis	Anderson's Mills.	J. A. Bobinson	Dacusville	Old Pickens, Oconee Co., Thursday, October 6th.
30. Union County	B. C. Lampley	Union	D. N. Wilburn	Cross Keys	West Springs, Union Co., Tuesday, August 30th.
31. Waccamaw	T. M. Owens	Withers	B. F Prince	Loris	Mt. Lebanon
32. Welsh Neck	John Stout	Society Hill	C. L. Dowell	Dovesville	Timmonsville, Darlington Co., Tuesday, Nov. 15th.
33. York	Sam. M. Grist	Yorkville	J. C. McCubbins	Blacksburg	Flint Hill, York Co., Thursday, September 29th.

STATISTICS--1891.

ASSOCIATIONS.	Ordained Ministers.	Churches.	Increase by Baptism.	Increase by Letter.	Increase by Restoration.	Decrease by Letter.	Decrease by Exclusion	Decrease by Death.	Total Membership.	Sunday Schools Number.	Sunday Schools Officers and Teachers.	Sunday Schools Pupils.	CONTRIBUTIONS. State Miss'ns and Colportage.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Education.	Orphanage.	Miscellaneous.	Aggregate.	Value of Church Property.
Abbeville	6	21	85	73	1	85	5	11	1,475	19	111	1,003	$349 78	$519 36	$118 33	$337 10	$231 11	$1,589 73	58,889 82	$20,300 00
Aiken	4	21	43	34	12	34	31	26	1,700	...	.....	.....	328 67	252 34	137 80	78 37	33 45	2,929 10	4,354 38	15,150 00
Barnwell	11	34	115	91	29	121	48	54	3,963	24	230	1,168	415 74	274 85	130 14	211 84	81 59	9,345 93	10,652 30	30,150 00
Beaverdam	17	32	25	80	6	94	16	23	2,220	28	150	903	95 44	88 03	65 57	31 22	46 88	3,496 89	3,785 63	11,250 00
Broad River	20	33	225	161	23	169	43	45	4,210	25	194	1,527	145 66	200 52	48 54	421 06	104 73	4,105 44	4,762 18	18,285 00
Charleston	12	27	110	65	7	79	17	21	2 160	27	186	1,197	872 78	1,069 74	389 25	219 01	95 54	4,070 30	6,717 62	113,330 00
Chester	7	14	74	55	7	51	32	25	1,466	14	77	612	287 70	651 87	214 87	421 03	48 75	5,402 88	7,067 27	29,050 00
Colleton	7	23	65	...	5	34	2	11	1,870	18	55	650	214 62	60 92	20 11	.....	29 55	1,350 85	1,579 21	9,500 00
Dorchester	6	9	16	4	2	15	12	10	531	4	9	65	.....	86	87	.....	.....	173 42	466 41	4,000 00
Edgefield	10	20	130	29	6	74	39	32	2,302	20	128	994	332 91	271 25	120 08	156 52	218 33	4,865 28	5,873 81	30,000 00
Edisto	8	17	77	23	13	42	12	15	1,632	...	.....	.....	398 45	52 77	190 20	231 76	22 48	1,531 95	1,757 62	11,850 00
Fairfield	11	29	129	33	15	10	5	6	1,911	25	120	1,052	253 13	81 57	14 35	11 40	37 10	3,619 32	4,953 76	60,000 00
Florence	6	12	92	37	7	70	82	14	1,593	14	111	933	317 00	195 91	194 50	747 52	43 31	5,476 74	7,213 38	.....
Greenville	16	26	201	183	20	205	28	52	4,233	23	270	2,465	654 90	845 33	349 58	1,606 63	482 58	18,349 38	22,068 65	59,800 00
Lexington	7	16	52	10	7	13	38	1	877	12	45	475	129 98	.....	.....	.....	33 53	798 05	941 02	5,800 00
Moriah	17	33	318	121	89	122	121	39	3,959	16	96	1,101	175 76	252 39	20 00	185 01	56 46	5,585 88	6,365 68	18,600 00
North Greenville	21	30	203	112	18	149	31	43	3,722	21	214	1,475	146 57	103 66	62 34	24 95	25 09	2,560 32	2,911 85	10,891 00
Orangeburg	13	25	135	61	8	58	15	18	2,393	23	166	1,174	315 34	181 56	92 70	135 18	77 02	4,597 11	5,217 04	40,675 00
Pee Dee	14	38	232	101	28	165	40	26	3.227	17	145	1,291	436 42	613 41	157 46	411 73	135 15	9,412 49	11,186 30	35,365 00
Piedmont	11	19	69	62	9	77	51	20	2,006	13	119	788	88 04	39 97	16 96	37 60	25 56	1,872 11	2,016 65	8,972 00
Reedy River	14	32	163	138	11	130	70	54	3,575	32	150	1,900	609 50	588 70	236 68	412 15	88 42	7,223 77	9,197 23	45,038 00
Ridge	13	24	81	93	19	119	103	38	2,936	23	88	1,661	414 53	966 51	314 32	286 69	84 05	8,612 57	10,754 20	34,200 00
Saluda	24	35	325	240	20	175	111	44	5,019	31	319	2,572	768 41	1,188 96	283 11	1,414 27	328 71	15,112 81	19,090 90	53,205 00
Santee	12	26	166	84	8	40	27	21	2,161	25	135	1,120	521 26	530 48	169 71	311 22	307 15	6,257 97	8,184 20	40,275 00
Savannah River	19	39	116	50	25	95	15	21	2,512	19	110	850	569 81	275 00	200 00	575 00	.....	4,500 00	6,116 36	20,000 00
Southeast	14	27	103	51	22	53	15	16	1,579	17	144	790	487 86	175 00	115 00	525 00	149 00	2,500 00	4,049 26	10,000 00
Spartanburg	19	35	268	253	19	242	53	61	5,358	38	183	2,671	532 69	712 85	357 38	1,047 50	273 50	16,175 84	19,916 31	64,676 00
Twelve Mile	22	35	193	136	19	169	33	22	2,380	20	99	943	118 21	14 35	.....	52 00	41 70	515 45	693 61	7,000 00
Union County	6	17	33	27	2	34	33	20	1,393	14	80	747	219 80	179 47	103 01	695 64	36 39	3,860 52	4,902 31	15,000 00
Waccamaw	21	43	130	91	32	95	109	35	3,496	17	120	912	21 49	19 73	.....	5 46	23 84	1,525 00	1,606 89	5,000 00
Welsh Neck	12	24	217	93	18	95	56	24	2,831	21	195	1,544	685 62	1,279 79	350 42	861 93	238 64	7,422 26	10,863 90	95,000 00
York	7	16	118	89	17	105	18	14	1,753	16	97	713	237 38	173 42	50 57	169 37	31 86	5,253 04	6,302 67	18,000 00
Total reports	424	832	4,392	2,689	517	2,958	1,231	848	82,537	619	4,146	35,423	$13,241 74	$11,363 70	$4,178 69	$11,654 11	$3,431 48	$168,931 15	$217,471 47	$962,482 00
Money collected and not reported to Associations													1,687 80	1,442 48	932 46		103 97	4,670 60	4,216 71	
Grand total													$14,929 54	$12,805 18	$5,101 15	$11,654 11	$3,535 45	$173,601 75	$221,688 18	$962,482 00

NOTE.—The contributions reported to the Associations, as seen in the above table, are far below the actual figures. From sources other than the Association reports, we find contributions which are added to the "totals reported," and which are designated as "money collected and not reported to the Associations." All amounts for pastors' salaries, incidental expenses, &c., are included in the column "Miscellaneous." Accurate reports from all the churches and late reports from all the Associations would show a total membership of 84,000. The statistics of Colleton, Dorchester, Savannah River, Southeast and Waccamaw are a year behind. This year's reports from these Associations could not be procured.

A. J. S. THOMAS, Statistical Secretary.

Some Statistics of the Baptist Denomination in the United States, 1891.

[TAKEN FROM THE AMERICAN BAPTIST YEAR BOOK OF 1891.]

Associations, 1,382 ; ordained ministers, 22,703 ; churches, 34,780 ; baptized last year, 140,058 ; total membership, 3,164,227. Value of church property, $61,646,377.

Reported contributions : Missions, $1,070,371.23 ; education, $374,039 37 ; salaries and expenses, $6,900,266 ; miscellaneous, $1,977,951.

Sunday schools : Number of schools, 18,555 ; officers and teachers, 132,186 ; pupils, 1,280,663.

In all other countries: Ordained ministers, 4,398 ; churches, 5,851 ; baptisms, 15,436 ; membership, 631,335.

Baptist Educational Institutions of the United States.

	Number.	*Instructors.*	*Pupils.*	*Build'gs, Prop'y and Endow't.*
Theological Seminaries	7	57	658	$ 3,015,925
Universities and Colleges (Male)	34	422	6,537	11,074,327
Seminaries and Colleges (Female)	37	405	4,886	2,979,520
Seminaries and Academies	46	281	5,578	2,798,698
Institutions, Colored People and Indians	23	195	4,780	930,050

In the United States there are 118 Baptist periodicals, of which sixty-three are weekly papers.

Total number of churches reported constituted last year, 614 ; number of meeting houses reported dedicated, 373 ; of these 138 aggregate cost of $1,924,661. Ministers ordained during the year, 462 ; number reported deceased, 291.

American Baptist missionaries in foreign lands, 494, of whom 264 are females. The Northern Baptists have 392 missionaries in foreign lands, 2,076 native preachers and helpers, 1,316 churches, 134,413 members and 10,673 baptisms reported last year. The Southern Baptists have 155 foreign missionaries and native helpers, 62 churches, 124 other stations, baptisms, 409, and about 2,215 members.

HISTORICAL TABLE.

Year.	PLACE.	PRESIDENT.	VICE-PRESIDENT.	SECRETARY.	ASSISTANT SECRETARY.	PREACHERS.			
						Introductory.	Text.	Missionary.	Text.
1821	Columbia	Richard Furman		Abner Blocker					
1822	Fellowship	Richard Furman		Joseph B. Cook		Richard Furman	Psalm 122: 9		
1823	Edgefield	Richard Furman	Wm. B. Johnson.	Basil Manly		Wm. B. Johnson.	Mark 10: 15	Basil Manly	
1824	Coosawhatchie	Richard Furman	Wm. B. Johnson.	Basil Manly		Wm. B. Johnson.			
1825	Camden	Wm. B. Johnson	Benj. S. Scriven	Basil Manly		C. D. Mallory	Eccl. 9: 10	Rev. Mr. Graham	Zech. 16: 12, 3.
1826	Greenville	Wm. B. Johnson	Joseph B. Cook	Basil Manly		Joseph B. Cook	John 13: 19	C. D. Mallory	
1827	Edgefield	Wm. B. Johnson	Joseph B. Cook	Basil Manly		B. Manly	Acts 28: 15	W. B. Johnson	
1828	Minervaville	Wm. B. Johnson	Joseph B. Cook	Basil Manly		William Dossey	Acts 2: 42	W. B. Johnson	Matt. 6: 10.
1829	Charleston	Wm. B. Johnson	Joseph B. Cook	Basil Manly		J. Hartwell	Acts 7: 59	N. W. Hodges	
1830	Robertville	Wm. B. Johnson	Joseph B. Cook	Basil Manly		J. B. Cook	Eccl. 9: 10		
1831	Mount Moriah	Wm. B. Johnson	Joseph B. Cook	Basil Manly		J. Hartwell	Eph. 1: 7	B. Manly	Mark 16: 19.
1833	Society Hill	Wm. B. Johnson	Joseph B. Cook	Basil Manly		B. Manly	I Cor. 15: 58	S. Furman	Matt. 10: 8.
1833	Newberry	Wm. B. Johnson	William Dossey	Basil Manly		W. B. Johnscn	Eph. 1: 10	B. Manly	John 4: 35.
1834	Barnwell	Wm. B. Johnson	William Dossey	Basil Manly		I. L. Brooks	Heb. 10: 24	R. Fuller	Luke 13: 7.
1835	Charleston	Wm. B. Johnson	J. Davis	Basil Manly		N. W. Hodges	II Cor. 5: 7		
1836	Greenville	Wm. B. Johnson	J. Davis	Basil Manly		H. D. Duncan	Mark 16: 29	J. M. Chiles	Matt. 24: 14.
1837	Edgefield	Wm. B. Johnson	J. Davis	W. H. Brisbane		J. C. Furman	Heb. 12: 1, 2	R. Fuller	John 13: 31.
1838	Bethel	Wm. B. Johnson	J. Davis	J. M. Chiles		Wm. B. Johnson.	Gal. 6: 9, 10	N. W. Hodges	Isaiah 60: 1.
1839	Black Swamp	Wm. B. Johnson	J. Davis	J. L. Reynolds		N. W. Hodges	Eph. 4: 30	W. Harper	Acts 9: 6.
1840	Sumterville	Wm. B. Johnson	J. Davis	J. DuPre		Wm. B. Johnson.	James 1: 17	A. Rice	Isaiah 9: 7.
1841	Society Hill	Wm. B. Johnson	J. Davis	J. C. Furman		J. L. Reynolds	John 19: 5		
1842	Anderson	Wm. B. Johnson	J. Davis	J. C. Furman		J. M. Chiles	II Cor. 5: 14	J. A. Lawton	Luke 15: 7.
1843	Flat Rock	Wm. B. Johnson	J. Davis	J. C. Furman		J. O. B. Dargan	II Cor. 5: 14,15		
1844	Darlington	Wm. B. Johnson	J. Davis	J. C. Furman		Wm. B. Johnson.	Col. 2: 6, 7	W. B. Johnson	
1845	Gillisonville	Wm. B. Johnson	J. Davis	J. C. Furman		Wm. B. Johnson.	Matt. 8: 20	J. C. Furman	Zech. 4: 10.
1846	Barnwell	Wm. B. Johnson	J. Davis	T. W. Haynes		J. S. Mims	Luke 10: 21	J. B. Taylor	I Tim. 1: 4.
1847	Beulah	Wm. B. Johnson		J. C. Furman		J. H. Cuthbert		I. L. Brooks	Prov. 11: 24
1848	Greenville	Wm. B. Johnson	H. D. Duncan	J. C. Furman		R. Furman	II Tim. 4: 2		
1849	Edgefield	Wm. B. Johnson	H. D. Duncan	J. C. Furman		Prof. Edwards	Col. 2: 10	J. R. Kendrick	Matt. 6: 10.
1850	Sendleton	Wm. B. Johnson	H. D. Duncan	J. C. Furman		J. S. Mims	Phil. ——	W. B. Johnson	Mark 16: 15.
1851	Society Hill	Wm. B. Johnson.	J. R. Kendrick	J. C. Furman		J. R. Kendrick	Acts 9: 6	B. W. Whilden	
1853	Greenville	J. C. Furman	J. G. Landrum	J. J. Brantley		J. J. Brantley	Psalm 133: 1	E. T. Winkler	Matt. 11: 3.
1854	Greenville	J. C. Furman	J. G. Landrum	J. J. Brantley		W. B. Johnson	I Peter 5: 8, 9	J. R. Kendrick	Matt. 16: 30.
1855	Newberry	J. C. Furman	J. G. Landrum	J. J. Brantley		R. Furman	II Cor. 11: 3	J. C. Furman	
1856	Greenville	Basil Manly	J. G. Landrum	J. J. Brantley		J. H. Luther		J. C. Furman	
1857	Greenwood	J. L. Reynolds	Basil Manly	J. J. Brantley		Basil Manly		J. J. Brantley	
1858	Greenville	J. B. O'Neall	J. G. Landrum	J. J. Brantley		J. C. Phelps	John 3: 8	J. M. C. Breaker	
1859	Sumter	J. B. O'Neall	J. G. Landrum	J. J. Brantley		J. C. Furman	Acts 9: 31	R. Fuller	
1860	Greenville	J. B. O'Neall	J. G. Landrum	J. J. Brantley		J. J. Brantley	Mark 14: 8	E. T. Winkler	Luke 10: 23, 4.
1861	Spartanburg	J. B. O'Neall	J. G. Landrum	J. M. C. Breaker		J. M. C. Breaker	Matt. 5: 14	J. Huckins	
1862	Greenville	J. B. O'Neall	J. C. Furman	J. M. C. Breaker		J. C. Phelps	Job 7: 17, 8	L. R. Gwaltney	I Peter 2: 7.
1863	Darlington	J. C. Furman	T. P. Lide	J. M. C. Breaker		W. D. Rice	Psalm 116: 12	J. A. Chambliss	Rom. 1: 14.

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Year	PLACE.	PRESIDENT.	VICE-PRESIDENT.	SECRETARY.	ASSISTANT SECRETARY.	PREACHERS.			
						Introductory.	Text.	Missionary.	Text.
1864	Greenville	J. C. Furman	J. O. B. Dargan	J. M. C. Breaker		J. A. Chambliss	Matt. 26 : 41	J. O. B. Dargan	Psalm 67 : 1, 2.
1865	Cross Roads	J. C. Furman	Z. Watkins	B. Manly, Jr.		J. A. Broadus	James 1 : 5		
1866	Greenville	E. T. Winkler	J. O. B. Dargan	B. Manly, Jr.		B. Manly, Jr.	I Cor. 15 : 25	M. W. Wingate	
1867	Anderson	E. T. Winkler	J. O. B. Dargan	B. Manly, Jr.		Wm. Williams	Heb. 12 : 1, 2	J. L. Reynolds	
1868	Newberry	J. L. Reynolds	J. O. B. Dargan	J. F. Morrall		J. Culpeper	II Cor. 9 : 13	T. R. Gaines	Rom. 1 : 18.
1869	Yorkville	J. L. Reynolds	J. O. B. Dargan	S. W. Bookhart		J. K. Mendenhall	Prov. 11 : 30	E. T. Winkler	Acts 11 : 4.
1870	Greenville	J. L. Reynolds	J. O. B. Dargan	O. F. Gregory		J. L. Reynolds		L. H. Shuck	I Sam. 4 : 13.
1871	Camden	J. P. Boyce	J. O. B. Dargan	O. F. Gregory	A. W. Lamar	J. L. Reynolds		J. G. Williams	Neh. 4 : 6.
1872	Darlington	J. C. Furman	J. O. B. Dargan	O. F. Gregory	A. W. Lamar	John Stout	Phil. 3 : 13, 14	J. C. Furman	III John 7.
1873	Columbia	J. L. Reynolds	J. K. Mendenhall	O. F. Gregory	J. B. Patrick	W. C. Lindsay	John 19 : 5	J. A. Broadus	Matt. 16 : 21.
1874	Chester	J. L. Reynolds	J. O. B. Dargan	J. B. Patrick	S. W. Bookhart	T. W. Smith	Heb. 6 : 1	J. B. Jeter	
1875	Spartanburg	J. L. Reynolds	J. G. Landrum	J. B. Patrick	O. F. Gregory	Luther Broaddus	Eph. 6 : 6	R. H. Griffith	Acts 13 : 2.
1876	Society Hill	John A. Broadus.	R. Furman	O. F. Gregory	Z. Davis	W. H. Strickland	Phil. 4 : 4	R. Furman	
1877	Greenville	Richard Furman	B. W. Edwards	Luther Broaddus	E. B. Murray	C. C. Brown	Rom. 7 : 14, 5	R. Furman	
1878	Sumter	Richard Furman	B. W. Edwards	Luther Broaddus	E. B. Murray	W. J. Alexander	I John 3 : 2, 3	J. C. Hiden	
1879	Aiken	B. W. Edwards	T. P. Smith	Luther Broaddus	A. B. Woodruff	R. W. Sanders	Gal. 6 : 9	J. A. Chambliss	
1880	Camden	B. W. Edwards	T. P. Smith	Luther Broaddus	A. B. Woodruff	J. L. Vass	II Tim. 2 : 1	L. H. Shuck	Matt. 6 : 10.
1881	Anderson	B. W. Edwards	T. P. Smith	Luther Broaddus	A. B. Woodruff	B. G. Covington	Matt. 13 : 31-33.	F. A. Douglas	John 4 : 35.
1882	Darlington	B. W. Edwards	T. P. Smith	Luther Broaddus	A. B. Woodruff	G. H. Carter	Matt. 9 : 37, 8	Lucius Cuthbert	Acts 16 : 9.
						Convention Sermon.		Text.	
1883	Charleston	B. W. Edwards	T. P. Smith	Luther Broaddus	A. B. Woodruff	Charles Manly		John 4 : 36.	
1884	Marion	B. W. Edwards	T. P. Smith	Luther Broaddus	A. B. Woodruff	Chas. A. Stakely		I Cor. 1 : 23, 24.	
1885	Greenville	James A. Hoyt	John Stout	A. J. S. Thomas	A. B. Woodruff	G. B. Moore		Eph. 3 : 8.	
1886	Columbia	James A. Hoyt	J. C. Furman	A. J. S. Thomas	A. B. Woodruff	J. A. Mundy		II Tim. 2 : 2.	
1887	Sumter	James A. Hoyt	J. C. Furman	A. J. S. Thomas	A. B. Woodruff	J. C. Browne		John 17 : 3.	
1888	Orangeburg	James A. Hoyt	E. C. Dargan, R. W. Sanders	A. J. S. Thomas	A. B. Woodruff	E. J. Forrester		John 16 : 9.	
1889	Florence	James A. Hoyt	E. C. Dargan, R. W. Sanders	A. J. S. Thomas	A. B. Woodruff	C. P. Ervin		Eph. 5 : 15, 16.	
1890	Union	James A. Hoyt	E. C. Dargan, R. W. Sanders	A. J. S. Thomas	A. B. Woodruff	A. C. Wilkins		Isa. 53 : 3; Matt. 26 : 38.	
1891	Spartanburg	James A. Hoyt	R. H. Griffith, W. D. Rice	A. J. S. Thomas	A. B. Woodruff	J. W. Perry		John 14 : 21-23.	

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THE BAPTIST MINISTERS' CONFERENCE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

The fifth session of the Baptist Ministers' Conference of South Carolina was held in the First church at Spartanburg, December 2, 1891.

It was called to order by J. S. Croxton, President of the last session, and was organized by the election of J. G. Williams, President, and J. A. Brown, Secretary.

After devotional exercises the subject, "The Relation of the Local Church to the Evangelization of the World," was opened by a paper from R. H. Griffith, which was followed by a general discussion, participated in by F. C. Hickson, E. C. Dargan, A. C. Wilkins, J. G. Williams, R. W. Sanders, A. T. Robertson and Joab Edwards.

"The Christian Sabbath, and its Proper Observance," was introduced by a paper from J. G. Williams. The subject was further discussed by F. C. Hickson, I. W. Wingo, John Stout, R. W. Sanders, E. C. Dargan, C. C. Brown, A. T. Robertson, R. H. Griffith, J. S. McLemore, W. E. G. Humphries and Joab Edwards.

The Conference met again in the afternoon, and after singing and prayer, "The best Method of Indoctrinating the Membership of the Churches," was presented in a paper by John Stout. It was also discussed by J. C. Browne, I. W. Wingo, W. A. Gaines, B. G. Covington, R. W. Sanders, W. E. G. Humphries, J. E. Covington, J. G. Williams and E. C. Dargan.

On motion, it was decided that all papers read at this meeting should be presented to The Baptist Courier for publication.

The Conference passed the following resolution :

That we deeply sympathize with Brother W. T. Derieux, the pastor of this church, in his illness, and pray for his speedy recovery.

Prayer was offered by E. C. Dargan, in which Bro. Derieux was specially remembered.

The night session was opened with religious exercises, after which "The Proper Attitude of the Baptists toward Societies Independent of the Churches," was discussed by J. A. White, A. C. Wilkins, C. T. Scaife, B. G. Covington and W. T. Hundley.

The next subject, "Baptismal Regeneration : Its Origin and Effects," was presented in two papers by I. M. Mercer and R. W. Sanders.

The following committee was appointed by the President to prepare for the meeting next year : B. C. Lampley, I. M. Mercer, J. D. Pitts, L. C. Ezell and J. C. Browne.

After singing and prayer, the Conference adjourned.

BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

The Baptist Historical Society met at Spartanburg, Saturday, December 5, 1891. President R. H. Griffith in the chair. A. J. S. Thomas acted as Secretary. Committee appointed last year to prepare a Constitution reported. After some discussion the report was adopted.

Officers were elected as follows: Richard H. Griffith, President; H. T. Cook, Secretary and Treasurer. The following Vice-Presidents: E. J. Forrester, John R. Mack, C. P. Ervin, W. W. Leathers, J. D. Bailey, E. C. Dargan, R. W. Sanders, R. S. Williams, G. W. Bussey, H. L. Baggott, E. H. Cuttino, J. F. Smith, D. T. Smith, M. W. Rankin, R. F. Whilden, J. W. Blanton, Joel I. Allen, W. J. Langston, J. H. Boldridge, J. B. Patrick, John G. Williams, J. L. Rollins, I. W. Wingo, T. D. G. Gregory, C. C. Brown, J. W. Perry, R. G. Patrick.

Brother John G. Williams read an historical sketch, "The South Carolina Baptist State Convention of Forty Years Ago." It was unanimously requested for publication in The Baptist Courier. The thanks of the Society were voted Bro. Williams, and he was requested to continue to write sketches.

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